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A MISSION FOR FENWICK

N the darkness on the shelving beach the five men lined up under Lieutenant Dawson moved off at the ready, while the boat, its rowlocks heavily muffled, stole silently back to

In the morning there would be no sign of the destroyer. She'd be out over the horizon on her endless prowling. But forty-eight hours from now she'd be back, her boat troin now she'd be back, her boat nosing the beach again for a rendez-vous with Dawson and his men, and it was hoped—the two women mis-sionaries who, so Intelligence had it, were in the area hiding from the Communist army that had recently been over this part of the coast.

Ten minutes from the beach landing Dawson called a halt. It was useless trying to march on in the darkness into unknown terrain. They lay down to rest. Some of them even stept, typical of Naval men that!

Dawson didn't sleep. Captain Brand was not the type of man to pick a leader for a dangerous shore expedition without due thought to that man's ability.

Dawson, in the youthful zest that was his, hoped to acquit himself with some degree of efficiency.

J. C. SHELLEY

"It will be a highly dangerous assion," Captain Brand had said when the six men had lined up be fore him an hour ago in the hot brightly lit wardroom. "I don't exbrightly lit wardroom. "I don't expect you to come back as heroes. If you all come back in one piece I will be proud of you! If you bring the women—or even first-hand news of them—then I will be doubly proud." He had looked at them individually, and concluded, "They are Earlish women men."

English women, men."

Dawson went over in his mind the details of the mission, found himself despondently wondering, now the whole affair was his sole responsibility, whether he could face up to it. He knew nothing about the terrain except that inland a bare half-mile lay a South Korean vil terrain except that mand a bare-haif-mile lay a South Korean vil-lage. It was not known for sure if the enemy was in occupation. It was surmised that they had driven further south to throw their com-

bined weight against the tenacious line of the Americans. Somehow or other Intelligence had got hold of the fact that the two women were somewhere about here. On the map in the chartroom back on the destroyer, the supposed situa-tion had been a cross.

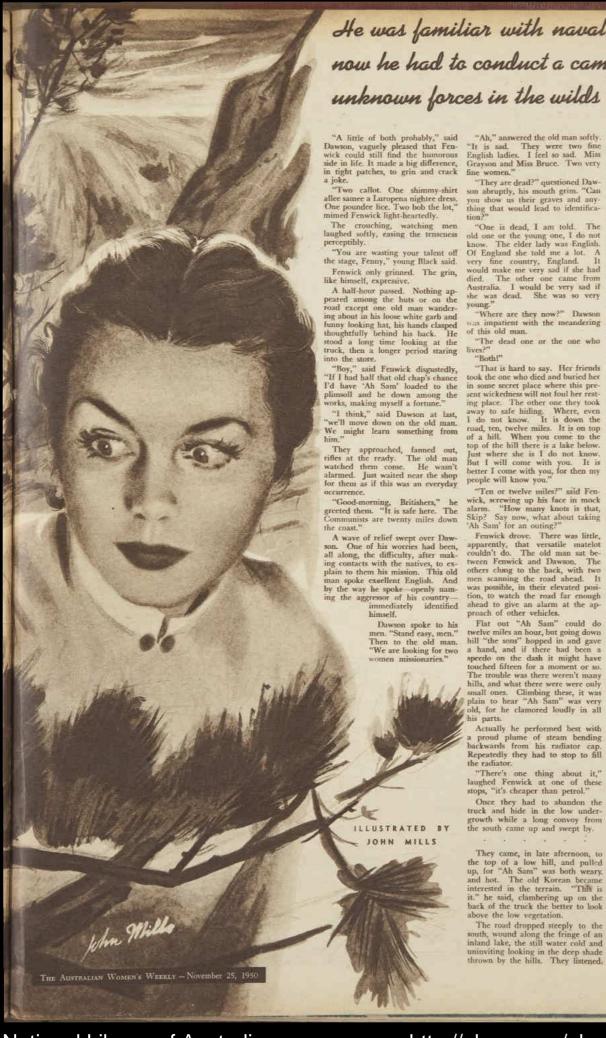
Dawson puckered his lips and frowned. On the map the cross had

frowned. On the map the cross had appeared large.

Daylight found them peering through the thin undergrowth at the village. In the wan early light it appeared deserted, a cluster of a dozen huts, a Chinese store, grouped in a clearing that straddled the north-south road. In front of the store was a secret car with buffernus as it. an arcient car with, ludicrous as it might seem, "Ah Sam and Sons" painted in faded bold letters along the rickety sideboard of its dilapi-dated side. "Wegetables or glo-cies?" queried

Leading - Scaman Fenwick, a good-humored grin on his happy, open face, nodding towards the truck





He was familiar with naval strategy, but now he had to conduct a campaign against unknown forces in the wilds of Korea.

> a proud plume of steam bending backwards from his radiator cap. Repeatedly they had to stop to fill the radiator.

"There's one thing about it," laughed Fenwick at one of these stops, "it's cheaper than petrol."

Once they had to abandon the truck and hide in the low undergrowth while a long convoy from the south came up and swept by.

They came, in late afternoon, to the top of a low hill, and pulled up, for "Ah Sam" was both weary, and hot. The old Korean became interested in the terrain. "This is interested in the terrain. "This is it." he said, clambering up on the back of the truck the better to look above the low vegetation.

The road dropped steeply to the south, wound along the fringe of an inland lake, the still water cold and uninviting looking in the deep shade thrown by the hills. They listened.

There was not a sound to be heard except for the soft sizzling emanatshadowed ravines in the hills on the other side of the lake wraiths of white mist wandered eerily, like disembodied spirits.

"Yes," sold."

"Yes," said the old Korean at last. "This is the place." He clam-bered awkwardly to the ground. "You wait here," he instructed them. "You wait here, "he instructed them." Perhaps if you turn the truck around it will help. It will save time later." He walked away into the indergrowth, just the part of him above the waist showing for a while. Then he disappeared com-

Fenwick worked "Ah Sam" around till he was pointing back the way they had come. Then in the deeper undergrowth the six of them deployed to wait. They ate some of their rations.

I wonder how much the old man can be trusted, Dawson wondered uneasily, consciously aware of the odds stacked heavily against them.

"You know," said Fernick abruptly as if reading his leader's thought. "The thing's going like wheels in oil. It seems like as if the old bloke was planted back there for our benefit. Now tell me, is he a goodee or a badee?" He looked at Dawson shrewdly.

Dawson shrewdly.

Dawson moved uneasily. "It's a bit of a gamble," he said quietly. "I can't think of anything I can do about it, though. Anyone got any suggestions? Believe me, I'll welcome them."

Fenwick chuckled, looking at Dawson with a new light in his eyes. Dawson had always stood out a bit from the others on board. No inferiority complex about Dawson. If

from the others on board. No in-feriority complex about Dawson. If he was in doubt about anything he never hesitated to ask, even if it was only a seaman. Men like that, Fenwick reasoned, were rare, and when you were under one it was natural to turn out your best.

"It's a matter for the cards," he said with a cheerful grin,

"If they turn up, then we are right. If they don't . . . well . . . right. If they don't We've just got to take what comes." He laughed infectiously. "Now I wonder, that old bloke, didn't he say wonder, that old bloke, didn't he say the young one was an Aussie? wonder if I know her?"

"Quite possible," said young Black. "I haven't yet been on a liberty boat with you where there wasn't one girl to welcome you at the steps and another one to wave you good-bye."

"That's personality, boy," Fenwick told him modestly.

"But a missioner?" young Black queried. "Surely not."

"You might be right there," Fen-wick told him good-humoredly, "But don't forget, young feller, I'm a dif-ferent person on liberty leave."

Darkness came and with it the evening rain, thin, slanting, warm rain. An hour passed and the rain moved on leaving the ground sweet smelling and the stars more brilliant. Then the old Korean came back closely followed by the thin figure of a girl in her shapeless country dress. They were above a with dress. dress. They were almost one with the night, the old man and the thin girl. "Are you there, Britishers?" called the old man softly.

Dawson answered as quietly, his finger on the trigger of his rifle, thumb easing off the safety eatch.

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LEGAL BRIDE

By ROBERT CARSON

EXT morning ushered in what Abigail was pleased to refer to afterward, in recollecting it, as the "rat-race" stage of her marriage. The previous part of her life had been in rather slow motion, with a few high points connected by long flat spells.

Now everything consisted of pinnacles, the action speeded up to an impossible pace, and you simply couldn't take your eyes off what was happening.

She awakened at eight-thirty, and showered and dressed in nervous haste. As she applied lipstick in front of a mirror, there was a knock on the door.

front of a mirror, there was a knock on the door,
"Who is it?" she asked.
"Nacio," the Filipino servant answered,
"Come in, Nacio."

He stood in the doorway and bowed to her smilingly. "Have breakfast in room?"

"No, I'll come down," Abigail said. "Is Mr. Castle up yet?"

"Always sleep late," Nacio explained. "Always have breakfast in room."

"Okay," Abigail said. "He's entitled to one last

"Okay, Adigan sain, dream,"

She descended to the first floor, and Nacio directed her to a terrace at the back. The fog of the preceding day was gone, the sun shone bright and fair, and birds rustled and sang in a nearby tree. Lighting a cigarette, she strolled about the grounds while Nacio ordered her breakfast and arranged the table.

The Castle estate covered a couple of acres, part of it hillside attractively planted and terraced, and dotted with tall sycamore trees. It had a separate detached guesthouse, a tennis court, and a swimming seed

Fourth instalment of a six-part serial . . .

FURNIVAL readily agrees to marry him the night they meet.

With JACK HALL, Ben's private pilot, as best man, they are married at once in Las Vegas, where they have flown to settle the case of Ben's gambling debt to rucketeer HARRY KALLEN.

Only later, when she goes to interview Kallen, does Abigail discover that Kallen owed her father a debt of gratinude, and that Ben married her because of this, knowing that Kallen would then waive the debt.

Abigail goes straight home to her rooms, which she shares with ALICE NORMAN. Later she agrees to go to Ben's home, but declares that she will only stay to take him and his household in hand. Now read Col. 1.

Nacio called her to breakfast, and she re-turned to the terrace and sat down with a feeling of luxurious pleasure. But the break-fast was terrible. Abigail's scrambled eggs were thick and curdled, her bacon uncrisp, and her toast soggy.

and her toast soggy.

The coffee tasted as if it had been recently drained from an automobile crankcase. She ate little, inspected the greasy silverware, and noted that her napkin had a hole in it. Nacio apprehensively cleared the table.

"Is the cook a man or a woman?" Abigail asked.

asked.
"Woman, Miss Castle."
"Is this a fair sample of her cooking?"
"Yes," Nacio said. He hesitated, and appeared to decide to unburden himself.
"This is pretty good for her. But Mr. Castle like very much. She have drink with him once in while. She boss."
"She was boss," Abigail replied, and rose and walked upstairs to see if her lawfully wedded husband was up yet.

The sound of a yacuum

The sound of a vacuum cleaner from her room at-

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tracted her attention. She went inside and found a large, heavy, dark-haired, and digni-fied woman at work. The woman shut off the cleaner and grinned.

"You're the new madame, ain't you?" she said. "Glad to meet you, Mrs. Castle. I'm Mrs. George B. Harmony, the maid."

"Glad to meet you, Mrs. Harmony."

"I just work here in the daytimes, you see," Mrs. George B. Harmony said. "I've got a house and two kids of my own and nights I go home. My husband, Mr. George B. Harmony, is a professional truck driver."

"I see," Abigail said pleasantly.

"If you don't mind my saying so, Mrs. Castle, it'll be a better world for Mr. Castle now that he's got himself a beautiful bride and is settled down. I hope you take an interest in housekeeping."

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"I'm beginning to," Abigail said, "and also in cooking. What's cooking here, to coin a phrase?"

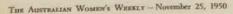
"Well," Mrs. Harmony said, "I hate to be a stool pigeon, but I am't going to get myself in wrong with the new madam the very first day I meet her. The food is terrible, the cook drinks a good deal, the market bill is being padded—and Mr. Castle thinks the cook is line. I guess that's all I need to tell

you."
"That's plenty," Abigail said. "Mrs. Har-mony, could you and I handle this place alone if need be?"

"Mrs. Castle," Mrs. Harmony said, "we could give it the old college try."

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"That's right, darling.
A big smile, like you'd give the cowboy," the photographer encouraged Abigail.



There was no law that could help Marg in this problem, so she just worked it out her own way with the help of a melancholy dog and a few grapes.

MARY McSHERRY

IM THORNTON flung open the front door and whistled his customary even-ing greeting. No one answered. He whistled again and hung his jucket in the hall closet. Then puzzled by the silence he sniffed the air; no dinner cooking.

silence he suiffed the air, no dinner cooking. He walked through the dining-room and the kitchen, marvelling at the absence of small children clinging to his legs and enthusiastically recounting the triumphs of the day. At the back door he stopped. On the steps ourside sat a tragedy-stricken group. The three children huddled, quiet and dispirited, on the bottom step, shoulders hunched, heads down. On the top step sat Marg, solemnly stringing beans. She was a slightly built young woman whose volubility usually matched her red hair, to-day she had all the sprightliness of Electra.

"I beg your pardon," Jim said, "I must

all the sprightliness of Electra.

"I beg your pardon," Jim said, "I must be in the wrong house." As Marg turned around he waited for her to jump up with her usual smile and kiss.

"Hello, Jim," Marg said quietly, not moving and not smiling. "Dinner's going to be late to night."

He opened the screen door and joined his family "Regrettable," he said, "but not tragic. Hello, kids."

"Hello," Rusty and Jimmie chorused with riming gentleness.
"Hello." Even three-year-old Patty sounded

"Is this a private wake," Jim asked, "or may I join in? And just what are we mourn-

Marg put the beans aside and patted the step beside her. He sat down. "It's Nick," she said, "Nick and that awful Pete." Her blue eyes were angrily cold. "And I've thought and thought and I don't see what can be

"It is a tribute to Jim shook his head. your personality," he told her, "that after living for nine years with a lawyer you still begin a conversation that way. Please—who is

"Pete," she explained, "is the other vege-

table man."
"Pete's a liar," Jimmie put in.
Marg and Jim exchanged a glance, and
the children were tactfully despatched to
sandbox and swing.

"He is a liar too," Marg said. "He tells people he's working for Nick. He sold me a whole bushel of peaches that way. Poor Nick's just frantic. He's worked hard to get this route built up. This was his end of town, and now this fellow bursts in and steals his customers."

She sighed and went on, "And Nick needs the money dreadfully. It's not just his wife and children he's supporting. He has all those relatives in Greece, who are absolutely dependent upon him. And that shifty little Pete! All bustle and business. In and out grab the money, zip to the next place. I'll bet he doesn't even send a spoiled carrot to his

Well," Jim said, "if he's such a sour one I don't see what Nick's got to worry about. People won't patronise Pete."

But some of them do! Enough so that Nick can't make the route pay.

"Maybe Nick should move to another dis-"Maybe Nick should move to amother dis-trict." Jim said, hoping that, if he made enough suggestions, he could by-pass the in-evitable fate he read in Marg's eyes. Marg just looked at him. "But he likes it here. This is his end of town. He belongs

here, with his own drawer in our kitchen cabinet to keep his account book in and his own box under the ironer to put oranges in.

He doesn't want to move on but he doesn't know what to do about Pete. It isn't," she gave Jim a sidewise glance, "as if he were a clever lawyer and knew how to cope with

Marg ignored the outburst. "I told him," she said casually, "that you were very smart and probably could think of something. And

and probably could think of something. And you will, won't you, Jim?"

He smiled at her. "I'll see what I can do."

Marg jumped up. "Thank you, Jim. He—lie can't pay, you know."

Jim smiled resignedly. "I didn't suppose he could, with half of Greece to support."

He rose and followed her into the kitchen. "If you're going to round up business for me," he said, "I wish you'd work on the Jenkins' They live in this end of town. And, strangely enough, they could afford to pay strangely enough, they could afford to pay

Marg suiffed. "Well, I don't know Mr. Jenkins but I've seen her. Very la-di-da. And Nick says she

tries to argue him down on prices. don't think ye tike working fo

"For a fee," Jim said, "I would be willing to try."

The next evening Jim had no opportunity to whistle his greeting. When he was half-way up the front path Marg burst out the door. "Oh, I'm so glad you're home!" she said.

"Jim, can people be sued if a dog just—well—does something that's perfectly natural for a dog to do, only in somebody else's yard?"

Jim stopped in the doorway. "Is this a quiz-show question? Maybe," he suggested patiently, "if you'd begin at the beginning..."

Marg preceded him into the house. "Well, it's this dog that's visiting us while Amy Johnson is at her aunt's. He's a very nice dog but he."

Jim stopped listening. Through the dining-room doorway paraded Jimmie and Rusty and Patty and a melancholy, waddling beagle. Its sides were distended; its stomach drooped avily. "He?" Jim asked

"I call all dogs 'he'," Marg said. Jim looked again at the beagle. "Singularly appropriate."

The boys greeted him briefly, both talking at once and gesturing proudly at the dog. Patry could not be pried loose from the animal even to say hello. Single-mindedly she entertained the dog by rhythmically shaking a small box in the vicinity of one vast car.

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"Oh, my goodness!" Marg said, and made a lunge for the box. "No, no, Patty," she said, "mustn't touch this box. Sedative," she explained to Jim, "for the dog. He's afraid to ride in a car, so Amy always gives him a sedative just before she has to take him anywhere, and Gladys goes right to sleep."

"Gladys." Jim repeated.

"Gladys," Jim repeated, c looked gloomily into the dining-room, where Rusty was sharing a biscuit with the dog. "And that is the animal over which we are going to

Marg shrugged. "Oh, I don't think Mrs. Jenkins would really sue us..."

"Mrs. Jenkins!" Jim stared at her in dis-belief. "Why, tell me, why did you have to antagonise Mrs. Jenkins?"

Marg looked a trifle hurt. "Well, I didn't mean to antagonise her. But there was that poor old mother dog in a strange neighbor-hood, and he followed Nick's truck because Nick had given him some grapes. And he ended up in Mrs. Jenkins' yard. I realised that Gladys must be with Nick so I walked down to where the truck was parked. That woman was shoving the poor dog with a broom. So naturally, I said, "Oh, please don't do that!"

"Naturally," Jim said. She looked so distressed that he patted her shoulder. "The moon was shining," he said reminiscently, "and the music from the casino across the lake wafted to our canoe. Your hair smelled sweet and spicy, and I said, 'Say yes to this question, please. Couldn't we make a pair?"

She robbed here.

She rubbed her cheek against his shoulder. "Darling."

"I should have phrased the question differently," he said. differently," he said.
"I should have said, "Couldn't we make the nucleus for a humane shelter? Un-wed mother beagles

and vegetable men enter here."

She lifted her head. "That reminds me.
Nick's coming over to-night. We'd better get
dinner over with."

"Nick?" he said. "To-night? Why?

"Because you're going to help him."
Jim tried to adopt a stern court-room manner. "I said I'd think about it."
Marg patted his arm. "Darling, either you help somebody or you don't. Either you act or you sit like a bump. That's what you're

always saying about our foreign policy. It has to be forceful or it's nothing.
"O.K." he said, "I will have a forceful foreign policy. Bring on the ambassador from

They are quickly, and the children ran out to sit on the steps. To watch, they said, Through the dining-room window Jim could see Rusty, one hand shading his eyes, peer-ing Indian-scout fashion down the street. "Here he comes! Here he comes!" Rusty

The truck pulled slowly to a halt. In the The truck pulled slowly to a nat. In the driver's seat sat Nick, resplendent in chalk-striped suit and stiff collar, and next to him reposed Mrs. Nick Lined up across the rear of the truck, their brown legs dangling, sat the three children, big-eyed and silent.

Jim rose from the table and went out to join Nick.

Marg followed him and invited Mrs. Nick into the garden.

into the garden.

At last Nick beeped grandly on the truck's horn. With a final smile Mrs. Nick separated her children from the assorted half-dozen and herded them into the truck. In a moment Jim came up the driveway, his body bent under the weight of a huge watermelon. "Retainer," he said.

The next evening when Jim came home the boys were cating slices of the melon and practising spitting the seeds. Ordinarily he would have stopped to enter the contest how to-night he just patted their heads and moved toward the kitchen with the gait of a mail on a mission.

In the doorway he began to speak at once-eyes carefully averted from Nick's drawer. Nick's box for oranges. "Marg," he said. "Fm sorry, but you'll have to tell the vegetable dispenser there's nothing I can do."

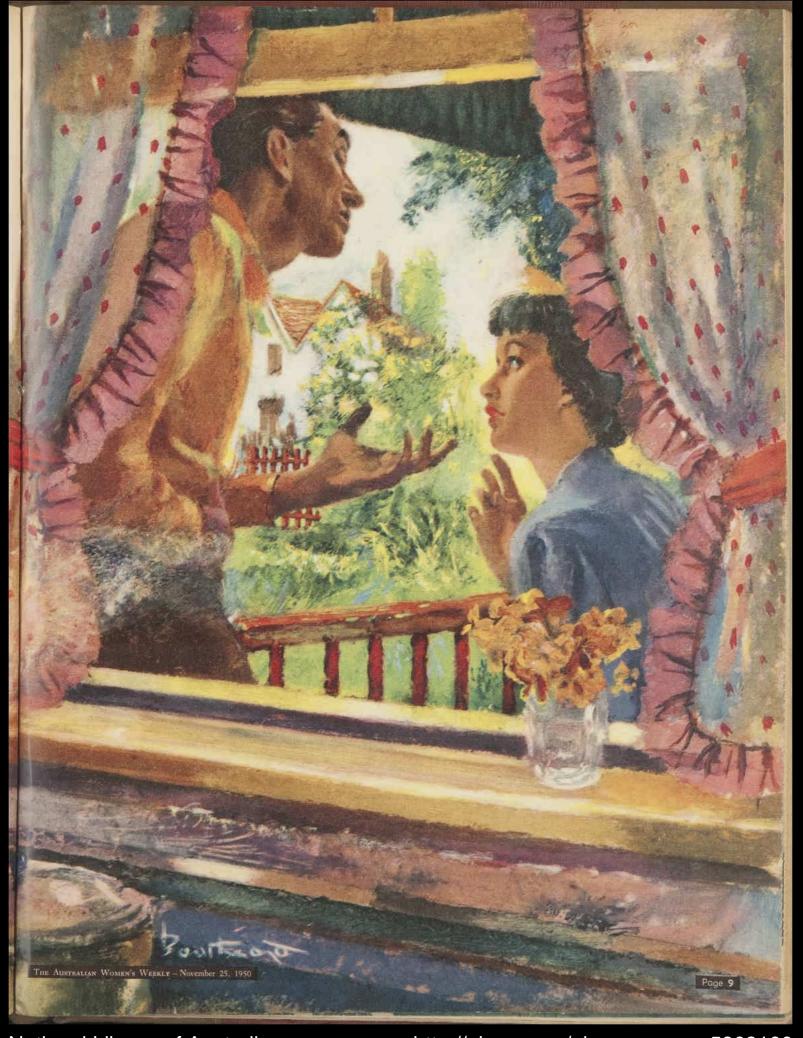
Trying not to notice the swift disappoint that crossed her face he went on lly, "I had hoped I could help him doggedly, deggedly, "I had hoped I could help him. There are a lot of crazy laws in this town, and I thought one of them might apply. They don't. And this Pete's licence is in order, loophole there. The only thing you can don't talk Nick up to the neighbors. And if he gives better service or selfs better stiff they'll stick by him. After all, competition is the basis of our system." He tried to look as if the discussion was ended. the discussion was ended.

"But this is such unfair competition!"
Marg protested. "Nick's timid and shoves around easily. It would be ever so much better if he hit Pete."
Jim winced. "Don't suggest violence I have no wish to act for the defence in the Vegetable Murder Case."

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"I smelt the soup," the stranger said without any preamble, "and I had to come in." THE ABSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WEEKLY - November 25, 1950

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Ballet wardrobe



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SCARLET LACE makes striking evening gown worn by Margot Fonteyn. Pamela May wears blue lace and tulle evening dress (left). Famous British designers made the frocks which dancers are wearing during their five months' tour.

will boost British exports to U.S.



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British firms supplied offstage wardrobes to the 73 members of the Sadler's Wells Ballet Company now making its second tour of North America. By wearing the clothes the dancers will advertise the British dress industry and raise Britain's dollar earnings.



MARGOT FONTEYN, one of the principals of the Sadler's Wells Ballet, selecting a hat for the company's tour of North America.



MOIRA SHEARER wearing gown of fine jersey. She is married to Mr. L. H. Kennedy, son of late Capt. E. C. Kennedy, who commanded Rawalpindi when German warship sank it.

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Chest X-rays for mothers.



EVA HORDERN HOSPITAL, Strathfield, Sydney, where expectant mothers with tuberculosis stay before and after their babies are born. Hospital is supported by Red Cross and N.S.W. Hospitals Commission.

Australia has only one hospital to treat tubercular maternity cases

By GEORGINA O'SULLIVAN, staff reporter

If all expectant mothers in Australia were X-rayed for tuberculosis during pregnancy much could be done to prevent the disease in young children.

The incidence of active T.B. among young mothers is not high. But tuberculosis specialists say it is high enough to warrant routine chest X-ray during the early days of pregnancy.

CCORDING to specialists A CCORDING to specialists the X-rays are necessary to protect the infant as well as the

"A child aged less than a year has such close contact with the mother that the risk of infection from a tubercular mother is very great," a doctor told me.

"Children in the first year of life have developed little immunity to T.B. Generally speaking, the younger the child is when infected more serious the disease.

First institution in Australia founded to give pre-natal and post natal treatment tuber mothers is the Eva Hordern Hos-pital at Strathfield, Sydney.

The hospital fills a long-standing community need in N.S.W. Similar institutions are hadly needed in other

States.

Some of the patients at the Eva Hordern Hospital are being cared for while awaiting confinement in a maternity bospital. Others have had their babies successfully, and are receiving further treatment before returning home.

Every effort is made to trace the ource of each patient's infection.

Relatives and others in close con tact with the patient report to the outpatients' clinic for chest exami-

Some big maternity hospitals in Sydney make chest X-rays compulsory for maternity patients. Not

one woman I spoke to at Eva Hor-dern Hospital had any idea she was infected with T.B. until she had a chest X-ray.

Each admitted that she had felt "bit tired" or a "little run-down." one had either a cough or attacks of sickness

structions carefully in hospital, but they find it difficult to face the hard-ship of being parted from their babies. The mothers follow medical in

Until they are given a clean bill of health they are not allowed to be in close contact with their children.

Immediately after birth the children are shown to the mothers and are then cared for by relatives. Until the mothers are able to return home they see their babies only from the balcony of the hospital.

Mrs. Gladys Stanley, of Bondi, has never touched her four-months-old son Russell.

"He was shown to me after his birth, and then given into the care of my daughter, Pat Sanderson, who is 19, until I am well enough to go home," she said.

Pat is Mrs. Stanley's daughter by a former marriage. She spent the first six weeks after Russell's birth at the Tresillian Mothercraft Training School, learning how to care for

Unfrightened surprise was Mrs. Stanley's reaction when she learned during the sixth month of her pregnancy that she had T.B.

She is one of the few mothers at Eva Hordern Hospital who was advised by her private doctor to have a chest X-ray.
"I must have had the disease for years, but I lead a healthy life and eat the right food, so apparently I kept it fairly dormant," she said.

Before Mrs. Stanley goes home next year, baby Russell will have an immunisation injection.

Mrs. Norah Gordon, whose first baby is due at the end of the month, is a former Waaf, who came to Australia 17 months ago with two girl-friends under the ex-service immigration acheme.

migration scheme.

Mrs. Gordon, who is an orphan, comes from Cheshire. When she was three months pregnant last May, a check at the South Sydney Hospital revealed T.B. in one lung.

"I was always tired after I got to Australia, but I put it down to change of climate," she said.

T.B. in family

MRS. GORDON has been in the Eva Hordern Hospital for six months. Medical Superintendent Dr. Rhodes Hambridge thinks she will be well enough to go home after her baby is born.

Mrs. Gordon thinks she caught the Mrs. Gordon thinks she caught the infection when a baby from her mother. She was never told what caused her mother's early death. A Red Cross inquiry into family his-tory revealed that her mother had died from T.B.
Mrs. Kathleen Frearson, 24-year

Mrs. Kainleen Freatson, 25-year-old mother of two young children and the wife of a former member of the Royal Navy, is another patient who did not know that the death of

who did not know that the death of one of her parents was due to T.B.

"I was 14 when my father died, and I think I caught the early germ from him," she said.

Former nurse Mrs. Patricia Vaughan, of Bondi, was feeling "a little run-down" during the third month of her pregnancy. Her doctor sent her to the T.B. clinic for a chest X-ray. Three weeks later tor seat her to the 1.B. chinc for a chest X-ray. Three weeks later she was admitted to Eva Hordern Hospital. Mrs. Vaughan's baby daughter was born in October and is being cared for by relatives while she completes her treatment.

"My right lung was collapsed and will be kept that way for several years until the disease is completely cured," she said.

Mrs. Vaughan, who thinks she contracted T.B. "somewhere along

BEDS at hospital not wanted for T.B. mothers are given to other women sufferers. T.B. mother Mrs. Gladyn Stanley is visited by Joy Pilgrim and Doreen Broder, two young women who are now well on road to recovery. Joy is engaged to be married.



... will save babies from T.B. Who is a brand-switcher?



YOUNG MOTHER Mrs. Rathleen Freurson had first baby in England. Routine X-ray showed T.B. when seven months pregnant for second baby.



JIM McMURTRIE and wife Doreen, with their baby, Darcy, leave Eva Hordern Hospital, which Doreen says saved her life. Doreen was patient there for 14 months.

the line during my nursing days," was not frightened when she learned she had it because she knew she was in the early stages. But 32-year-old Mrs. Doreen McMurtric was badly frightened because she was almost too late in finding out.

She was three months pregnant when she had a bad hemorrhage. Doctors gave her only two years to

To-day, with both lungs collapsed, she lives happily in the Sydney suburb of Newtown with her furnaceman husband, Jim, and their chubby 10-months-old son Darcy.

"For a while before my hemorrhage I felt pretty worn out." she aid, "but I didn't feel sick and acver thought of T.B.

"The 14 months I spent at Eva Hordern Hospital saved my life."

Discharged mothers regularly visit the outpatients' clinic at the hospital to have air injected round collapsed lungs to prevent them from

pital to have air injected round col-lapsed lungs to prevent them from functioning too stremously.

Doctors who specialise in tuber-culous say they will not rest until all maternity hospitals, private doc-tors, and obstetricians realise the necessity for checking on the disease.

"All women receiving ante-natal care should have a chest X-ray," said a doctor of the Commonwealth Department of Health. "If they are found to be suffering from active found to be suffering from active

adequate treatment.
"All pregnant tubercular women may not require special treatment before delivery, but almost all re-quire two or three months' rest afterwards. The strain of labor and the feeding and care of a baby can rouse quickly a dormant T.B. infection."



RED CROSS ALMONER Mar-garet Latham inquires into vel-fare of former patients (below). She tries to solve family problems.

FORMER PATIENT Mrs. Esther Jenkins has air injected round lung by Dr. Rhodes Hambridge, assisted by Sister Rene Taylor.



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New York bewilders the Dionne Quintuplets



SELF-ASSURED Annette Dionne, at the grand piano in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel ballroom, beats out the melody of New York's unofficial anthem, "East Side, West Side." Sisters Marie, Emitie, Yvonne, and Cecile (left to right) sing the words in French-accented English.

Ballyhoo, high-pressure publicity for overcrowded 4-day visit

From LLOYD CLARKE, in New York

The Dionne Quintuplets went back to Canada bewildered and frustrated after their four-day visit to New York.

As the five most famous girls in the world the Dionne Quintuplets were given the A-plus civic treatment reserved for visiting celebrities. But as five quite ordinary little teenagers they saw few of the things they had set their hearts upon.

THEY were whirled through New York at top speed with police escort, and were allowed only blurred glimpses of the famous "sights" that tourists like to inspect at leisure.

They were mobbed by curious crowds, even when they were eating breakfast. A strict official programme gave them no time to themselves.

In a breathtaking round of intro-ductions they shook hands with more than 200 U.S. big-timers, including politicians, radio, stage, and screen stars, captains of industry and finance, and sport kings.

The Quins are now back in their 20-roomed home at Callender, Ontario, Canada, wondering what New York is really like, and trying to recall the names and faces of some of the people they met.

Each Quin had a special hope she wanted to realise in New York, and each was disappointed.

Camera enthusiast Cecile wanted Camera enfousant Cecue wanted to study the photographic murals at the Rockefeller Foundation, Yvonne wanted to visit the art museums, Emilie the libraries, student pianist Annette wanted to hear a concert, and singer Marie an opera.

Closest they got to having their wishes fulfilled was a snapshot look at the Rockefeller Centre, New York Library, the Metropolitan Opera House, and Carnegie Hall from a special bus that took them on a tour of the city streets.

The Quins came to New York as the guests of Francis Cardinal Spellman to take part in an annual

fund-raising campaign for a New York hospital.

They arrived at Grand Central Station on board a special car pulled by the crack Montreal-New York "Laurentian" express. Cardinal Spellman, city dignitaries, and a popeyed crowd of 3000 New Yorkera were there to greet them.

The Quins were dressed identi-cally. They were chic grey suits, coral-colored long-sleeved blouses, and blue velvet bonnets.

When the crowd screamed and cheered a welcome, the Quins appeared completely confused and shuffled back behind their father.

As the girls were ushered through the cathedral-like railway terminal to the glass-topped bus that had been reserved for them, the crowd snowballed. Police formed a cordon, but when newspapermen and radiomen broke through the line Papa Dionne

Papa Dionne is less than an inch taller than his daughters. But he is no longer than ins quagners. But he is no longer the thin, weather-beaten, unlettered farmer he was when they were born. He is assertive, aware of his responsibilities, and is not thrown off balance by publicity whoop-de-

Above the din he shouted: "Please don't interview them. They are terribly excited. All this has made them very tired. We are delighted to be here and we know we're going to have a wonderful time."

Those in front, though, heard the Quins chiding their father because he had not allowed them to put on the lipstick he had promised they could wear for the first time.

The Onins staved at a convent



QUINS VISIT QUADS. During their New York visit, the Dionne girls took presents to the Collins Quadruplets
-two girls, two boys-who live in the Bronz Left is Cardinal Spellman, who presented the Quads with tiny
gold medals blessed by the Pope. Papa Dionne holds three of the Quads. He dropped the other one.



They started each day by hea mass in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Then the city of New York would take over. The Quins were rushed through dressmaking appointments and beauty parlor treatment. They finally made their big "glamor" appearance in the ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at a benefit function at which the charge for a steak way \$50. steak was £50.

To entertain the guests the Quins sang a group of French-Canadian folk-songs, and then New York's "anthem"—"East Side, West Side."

The guests thought their singing was "cute." But nobody felt that Lily Pons or Dinah Shore had any-

At 12 midnight, like Ginderella in quintuplicate, Cecile, Yvonne, Emilie, Annette, and Marie had to leave the party.

FIRST VISIT TO BEAUTY SALON. The Dionne Quintuplets have their hair dried after a styling by one of New York's leading hair-dressers. They wear a very short bob.

They protested, but Papa was

Next morning at eight the police had to be called to control the huge crowd that had gathered outside the

Eventually a senior police officer suggested to the muss that some announcement be made to the vatchers to help keep the peace.

A kindly bespectacled min opened window and said: "They are eating

a window and said: "They are cating grapefruit, scrambled eggs, bacon, toast, and hot chocolate."

The crowd greeted this information with murmurings and a renewed air of expectancy. So the nun added: "They are eating their breakfast slowly. It should be a lesson to all of us in eating—they eat so slowly."

It was such a long time before the Quins had finished their breakfast that when they appeared some of the crowd had grown tired and gone

way. However, the five little girls were given a big round of cheers as they climbed again into their glass-domed bus for another day of helter-akelter driving about the city.

Before the Quins went back home they were interviewed over the air by a woman announcer who asked each one the same question: "Are you having a wonderful time?"

The Quins, who are polite little girls, each gave the same answer: "Yes, we are having a wonderful

Papa Dionne seemed relieved.



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108 Castlereagh Street, LETTERS: Box 4008WW, G.P.O. two-up for film Peter Lawford learns

Star will play bushranger part with sideburns and dimples

Hollywood film star Peter Lawford may be remembered as the most urbane bushranger ever to slap leather in Australia's wild and rugged back country.

Lawford is visiting Australia to play the title role in "Kangaroo," the 20th Century-Fox technicolor adventure film.

SYDNEY fans noticed a cosmopolitan air about the six-foot-tall actor. He has a casual grin and a casual way of holding his shoulders that is once assured and relaxed.

There is no doubt about the photogenic qualities of his blue eyes, rather fetching moustache, and those

When I interviewed Peter Law-ford and Richard Boone, who plays the villain of the piece, at Ealing Studios, where the company is in-stalled until it leaves for South Autralian locations, they were playing

And Mr. Lawford had a copy of the works of William Shakespeare under his arm.

Boone had the kip and Lawford was crouched over the coins, in-tensely interested in the game.

Dressed in blue jeans, gay-figured tilk shirts, velvet coats, and brown leather sneakers, the two men re-sembled a couple of American square-dance enthusiasts.

Streaked with gold

THE only things out of character were their large moustaches and sideburns, Boone's reaching right down his face.

In the film "Kangaroo" a derelict Englishman named Connor (Law-ford) meets a gambler named Gamble (Boone) at a two-up game

Both men must master the game before they go on location.

I could not discover where the works of William Shakespeare came ito the picture.

I asked Lawford if he was en-

joying his trip to Australia.

In a strong American accent, this English born film star replied: "Sure, sure, it's eveil. I've been here before, you know. I was only nine years old, so it's all a bit hazy."

years old, so it's all a bit hary.

Looking very fit, with his dark hair streaked with gold, Lawfurd said his favorite sport was surfing. "I don't care what the local boys here say, I'm goling to give my balea board a ride in your surf." he said "Tye been working so hard. I haven't had a chance yet. The only day we went to Bondi the sea was flat at a paneake."

Lawford said the night spots, beaches, and beautiful girls in Syd-ney reminded him of America.

But it was the rugged Richard Boone who stole the interview.

Mr. Boone said he found it rather terrifying travelling with Mr. Law-

"Everywhere we go we get mobbed by teenagers," he said. "Of course, they are after Peter, and I get the backwash. I don't care so much for being hugged, kissed, petted, and squeezed by hundreds of screaming

"I'm a character actor and usually don't come in for the swoon stuff.

don't come in for the swoon stuft.

"I generally play the villain and
no one likes me at all."

Boone, who is over six feet, busky,
and very charming, said he was
hoping to do some big-game fishing
at Berniagui, on the south coast of
N.S.W., before using on location

"I am a very keen sailor, too, and sail a star class home in the States," he said.

"I have already organised myself out in a big pale blue cutter on Syd-ney Harbor while I am bere, and am looking forward to seeing some of your open-boat sailing.

"I heard in the States that Australians don't think they have had a good sall unless the cross-trees of their masts have been in the water. It sure must get breezy out bere." Peter Lawford seems to prefer the easy Californian style of dressing.

At his first Press conference Sydney, Lawford were a junior blue double-breasted yachting type jacket, which, along the west coast of America, has replaced the conven-tional sports jacket among rich

A high fashion note was struck by the gold-colored metal buttons on the jacket.

His well-cut summer-weight slacks are of open-weave wool.

were of open-wave wool.

He wore moccasin shoes, which became popular in Sydney about three years ago. But Lawford's were a novelty—black and polished to a glass-like finish so that they resembled evening shoes.

Lawford is also a member of the white swiks brigade. He often wears his trouser-cuffs turned up so that when he sprawls at case the striking contrast between the white sweks and the Hawaiian tan of his legs is easily seen. easily seen.

His tie and the nearly tucked-in breast-pocket handkerchief were quiet and unofitrusive in the Eng-lish manner.

lish manner.

Lawford does not plan to do the social round conscientiously—at least for the time being. So his fam have only a slim chance of ratching a glimpse of him in one of those new tartan diamer-jackets that he affects in Hollywood for a date at the Cocoanut Grove.

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VISITING MOVIE ACTORS Richard Boone (left) and Peter Lawford stride to their first rehearsal for their parts in 20th Century-Fox's Australian film "Kanonroo," at Ealing Studios, Pagescood, Sydney.

Tongan princess goes on a buying spree



PRINCESS MATA'AHO, of Tonga, has stately figure and silky voice.

Tongan Princess Mata'aho listed smart summer dresses and a washing machine among many purchases made in Sydney on her recent visit to Australia.

HER husband, Grown Prince Tungi, bought tractors for his farm, still and movie cameras, and a recording

Princess Mata'aho is a daughter of a Tongan nobleman, who is Governor of Ha'apai, an island in the Tongan Group, about 1000 miles north-east of

Prince Tungi is the eldest son of Queen Salote, of Tonga.

The unofficial visit of Prince Tungi and Princess Mata'aho ful-filled an ambition of Princess Mata'aho to visit the country where her husband was educated.

Prince Tungi attended Newington College and Sydney University,

where he received his Bachelor of

where he received his Bachelor of Arts dagree.
When I visited the Princess at the Methodist Missionary Training Col-lege, Haberfield, N.S.W., where she and Prince Tungi were staying, I recalled our law meeting in Tonga just after they were married three

Mata'aho and I are old friends. We were children together in Tonga. Later when she went to school in New Zealand, the Princess spent most of her holidays at my home. Because of her tranquil life in the South Seas, the Princess does not seem to have changed much since our school days.

Her low black hair is still coiled.

Her long black hair is still coiled in a plait, and her brown doe-shaped eyes have not lost their lustre.

Princess Mata abo shares her hos-band's interest in agriculture. While in Australia she went with him on

By ANGIE SKUDDER

a trip to Queensland, where he studied peanut-growing. Tungi plans to foster the cul-tivation of peanuts instead of copra

He owns two farms, mostly devoted to peanut-growing esperi-thents. Princess Mata'aho is enthu-siastic enough about farming to

The Prince and Princess are music-lovers. Mata'aho is an accom-plished pianist. She can play any-thing from swing to Chopin and Beethoven.

She can play the guitar, and is now learning to play the saxophone.

Next February Princess Mata'aho will produce the Gilbert and Sulli-van opera, "The Mikado," as part of the celebrations for the 50th ami-versary of the signing of the Treaty of Protection between Tonga and Greet Reigh.

FESTIVAL OF BRITAIN EXHIBITIONS



MAY 3 to SEPTEMBER 30

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gramme, but a spectacular and important part. In LONDON the centrepiece of the Festival will be the great South Bank Exhibition on the sweep of the Thames between Westminster Bridge and Waterloo Bridge. Here, amid 30 acres of new buildings and broad terraces, dominated by the giant Dome of Discovery (the largest in the world), visitors will see the story of Britain and her people at work and at play—in industry, transport, the farm; at home and on the seas; in sport, at letsure, and in those boundless fields of exploration and discovery in which British scientists and technicians. and discovery in which British scientists and technicians

are helping to build the world of tomorrow.

In a new extension to the Science Museum in South Kensington, the latest advances in scientific discovery the frontiers of man's present knowledge-will be on

the East end, an Exhibition of Architecture at Poplar will show the community centre of the future in course of construction, using the latest building styles and

Those main London Exhibitions will be open to the public from May 4 to September 30.

IN GLASGOW an Exhibition of Industrial Power at Kelvin Hall will show British achievements in heavy engineering, from the earliest steam engine to the harnessing of atomic energy. This Exhibition will open on May 28 and last for 13 weeks.

IN BELFAST the Ulster Farm and Factory Exhibition. staged in the interior and grounds of a new model factory, will show the growth of the lines industry and of research-directed developments in agriculture and other local industries. This will be open from June 1 to August 31.

IN EDINBURGH there will be an extensive Exhibition of Scottish Architecture and Traditional Crafts, during

In addition there will be Exhibitions of British Books and Literature in London, Edinburgh and Glasgone, and Exhibition of painting in Carafill and Norwish.

But Exhibitions are not the whole of the Pestical. There will also be Arts Pesticulation in tensively-lines famous tooms, and local activities ranging from conticult to sporing event in hundreds of communities throughout England, Sciland, Wales and Northern

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FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE Cecil Woodham-

Florence Nightingale, who held the lamp in the Crimea, held it with an unyielding hand and an iron grip.

She never relinquished that grip in her long life, and her determination in the causes of Army reform and sanitation caused a poet, Arthur Clough, and a Cabinet Minister, Sidney Herbert, to die before their time.

THIS side of Florence Nightingale's nature has been revealed previously in

books on her life and work.
Lytton Strachey made it the sub-ject of exquisite satire.
Now, Mrs. Cecil Woodham-Smith. in a new and comprehensive biog-raphy of 600 pages, has pur into fresh perspective the humanist, the egoist. nd the reformist that comprised lorence Nightingale. Mrs. Woodham-Smith says Flor-

Nightingale never gave or took

She drove herself hard, but she drove others even harder.

Her devotion to her cause made her an invalid, and she spent many of the last years of her life in bed. There she rested when her work be-came too much for her, but her helpers had no respite until they either abandoned her or died, as did Clough and Herbert.

When Sidney Herbert lived, she rejected his pleas for a rest with the remarks: "I believe you have many years of usefulness before you....

years of usefulness before you. I hope you will not judge too hardly of yourself from those doctors opinions. Only after his death would she mourn him and writes "I, too, was hard on him," and call him her "master."

Another of Florence Nightin-gale's helpers was her Aunt Mal, a married woman with a husband and two grown daughters.

Aunt Mai went out to Scutari, leaving her family. She worked with Flor-

ence, then, spent two and a half years with her after she returned to

When Florence Nightingale was ill and announcing that she was about to draw her last breath, Aunt Mai arrived to care for her.

After two and half years Aunt Mai's family protested and she re-

Florence Nightingale was furious. She said that Aunt Mai had sacrificed the great work for the fetish of her family, and did not forgive her, meet, or write to her for 20 years.

Florence Nightingale was stubborn from her childhood, and a battler for causes.

Here is the meticulously neat child of 10 (who was still meticulous in her 80°s).

"Dear Pop," she wrote to her sister Partic, "I have not put your scrap-book anywhere, but one day I saw it in the drawer of the music-room, next to the bow window, and I think it very odd you did not think of looking for it there . .

Years of bitter conflict with her family took place before Florence, with only a slight knowledge of nursing, set off to the Crimea. She was a slender woman of 34, who had refused two offers of marriage because her copper-colored head was

full of the knowledge that she was called to be a nurse.

She arrived in the East with

group of 38 women, including Roman Catholic nuns, Protestant Sellonites,

Catholic nuns, Protestant Sellonites, and nurses who wore a uniform consisting of a grey tweed dress, jacket, white cap, and woollen cloak.

Later, when Florence and the others were working among the wounded, a discontented nurse added to their difficulties by complaining. "I came out, Ma'am, prepared to submit to everything, to be put on in every way. But there are some things, Ma'am, one can't submit to. There every way. But there are some things, Ma'am, one can't submit to. There is the caps, Ma'am, that suits one face and some that suits another. And if I'd known, Ma'am, about the caps, great as was my desire to come out to nurse at Scutari, I wouldn't have come, Ma'am."

Most nurses were middle-aged. No young women were accepted. Even so, Florence found some that she had chosen were drunken and

From Scutati, Florence wrom-home: "Fat, drunken old dames of fourteen stone and over must be barred. The provision of bed-steads is not

strong enough."

Despite her problems of or-ganising and pro-visioning. Flor-ence Nightingale stayed by the side of the sick and dying, writing their letters home, giving them sup-port when they needed it. "The magic of her power over.

her power over men was felt in the dreaded, bloodstained room where operations took place. There

hightingale. per haps the mained soldier might be craving death rather than meet the knile of the surgeon. But when he looked and saw that the honored Lady in Chief was patiently honored Lady in Chief was patiently standing beside him, with lips closely set and hands folded, decreeing hersell to go through the pain of witnessing pain, he used to fall into the mood of obeying her silent command, and finding strange supp in her presence—bring himself submit and endure."

Florence Nightingale, the Lady with the Lamp, or rather the lady with the tongue and mind like a scalpel, cutting ruthlessly through to her object, never forgot the men who had died or suffered.

After the war she announced passionately:

Florence Nightingale

"No one can feel for the Army as I do. These people who talk to us have all fed their children on the fat of the land and dressed them in velvet and silk while we have been away. I have had to see my chil-dren dressed in a dirty blanket and an old pair of regimental trowsers, and to see them fed on raw salt meat, and nine thousand of my children are lying, from causes which might have been prevented, in their for-gotten graves. But I can never for-get."

"Florence Nightingale" is pub-

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NURSES' TRAINING

THOUSANDS of girls and boys will close their school books for the last time in the next few weeks, and embark on a career.

Many of the girls will be attracted to nursing. Though there is a world-wide shortage of trained nurses, those who have explored the position say that this is due to nurses being employed in more spheres than formerly.

Baby health centres, publie health services, industrial undertakings, and welfare organisations require trained nurses for staff as well as civilian and military hospitals.

It is the hospitals, as training schools, which must supply this staff

The New South Wales Hospitals' Association has decided to ask the Government to reduce the minimum age of trainee nurses from 18 to 16 years to overcome the shortage.

The Australian Trained Nurses' Association does not favor this. It considers girls under 18 too young to begin training.

The majority of 16-yearolds do not want to become nurses. They are attracted to easier and more glamorous jobs.

Most of those who want to take up what they know to be a difficult and exacting career are more responsible types.

Some hospitals have bridged the gap between school-leaving age and 18, when training starts, by appointing nursing assistants at the age of 16.

Surely some such attempt could be made generally to hold the interest of intending trainees, even if this means lengthening their studies by a year so that they could start a modified first year at 17

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TOY UMBRELLA which just shaded her jace was carried at Flemington by Mrs. John Mullany, of Melbourne. Parasol, which was brought from Paris to Mrs. Mullany when she was a child, was re-covered in scarlet and made striking contrast to her white failored suit and white crocheted cap.



AFTER weather cocktail at Melbourne was really the place to be when I arrived at Pacific Club's luncheon at Palm Beach, with brilliant sunshine sparkling on the water, and saw guests with hair still wet with salt water, and shiny sunkissed faces.

Luncheon was to enable members admitted to the club during the past year to meet members and after dip in the briny everyone had man-sized appetites.

No sand and sandwiches fare, for when the crowd returned from the

No sand and sundwiches fare, for when the crowd returned from the surf committee had loaded the tables with prawns and turkey salad, ice-cream, and long, cool drinks.

THERE were mixed expressions on

THERE were mixed expressions on faces as guests sampled "apple" pie and ice-cream.
"I'm three-quarters of the way through and still can't make out the flavor," Shelia Goodall told metawor, "Shelia Goodall told metawor, "shelia genial secretary, Bea flavor, Sheila Goodull told me-just then genial secretary, Bea Devenish Meares, informed us she'd just discovered that all meat pies had been sent and there wasn't an apple in the place!



SMART MELBOURNE HOSTESS. Mrs. Dick Newton's strain unbrella came from Paris and was one of lovellest on course at Oaks Day at Flemington, Thelma and her husband entertained Sydney visitors over Cup Week festivilles.



PARTY AT USHER'S. Members of John Alden's company, Maxis Turner (left), Max Osbiston, Ruth Cracknell, and Rosamund Waring, at party at Usher's Hotel given by Mr. and Ars. Martin McIlrath in appreciation of cast's performance in "Measure for Measure." Company will present "Before the Party" at St. James' Hall on November 10.

SAW Dr. Phil Cayzer firmly refusing mayomasis as he attacked a giant-sized plate of lettuce leaves. Told me he's in strict training with the Australian rowing crew and this entails losing six pounds before he sails for America as stroke of the

THE Dan Fowlers reaped compli-THE Dan Fowlers reaped compli-ments for the luscious tropical fruit salad as it contained papaw grown in the garden of their Palm Beach home. Trees needed special care as seeds came from their for-mer home in New Guinea, Mrs. Fowler said.

NEW white pergola behind the NEW white pergola behind the club-house was finished the day before the party, and club hopes that, covered with an awning, it will be a guarantee against a repeat performance of last year's New Year's Eve party, when rain sardine-packed everyone into the one room. The next door block of land was recently bought and will be used now as parking stand for members' cars, but is part of a long-range scheme to make the club residential.

Party was a curtain raiser to cocktail party for 300 members and their guests on November 25, and Christmas party, on December 26,

SOAKING up their quota of sm SOAKING up their quota of sim on the beach. . . the Stuart Wards, daughter Anne, and new baby Suzaune . . the Robert Braschs with their week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. Francis Graham, who are just back from trip abroad . . . the Romnie Parts, who have taken over Graham Pratten's weekender, "Tidapa" (translation—if doesn't matter), while Graham and daughter Jill are in England.

PALM BEACH tashions . . . row of pippy shells strung into a necklace and wort with blue-spotted beach frock by Mrs. Brian Osenham as she served lunch to doctor husband and two small sons under beach umbrella on the halcony . . two large hibiscus from enormous tree in the club's garden, which Mrs. John McDetmott Royal turked into her pale-pink floral beach frock. The Royals are building a home in the basin so they can keep a permanent eye on their yacht, Horizon.

COMINGS and goings on the land. Bill Foster and his bride, formerly Judith Taylor, of Newport, have moved into "Wynella," Ditrinbandi, after honeymoun adelaide. Queenslanders Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lloyd have bought magnificient property, "Coolilatta," at Bowral—formerly home of the Viner Halls, now living at Wahroongs. Adel Thornton left her home, "Lemongrave," Nyngan, to set up house with her husband, philip Anderson, only son of Keith Outram Andersons, of Ashfield, at Roseville. The Cam Jacquets, back from Hayman Island honeymoon, are combing the stores for furniture and carpets for Campbell's lovely home, "Pimpampa," Rowena. Bride was Mrs. M. G. La Walker, of Rose Bay.



THREE GENERATIONS, Mr. G. Keighery with his daughter, Mrs. W. Furlong, of Sydney (right), and his granddaughter, Mrs. Brian Cassidy, at Flemington on Oaks Day. This was his sirty-seventh consecutive Cup Meeting.

THERE were beams of pride from Persos and Avonia Rainsford when five-months-old daughter Phillipa grasped a knife and cut ber own pink-iced chistening cake at party at home of godmothers, Lesley and Joy Surman, after the ceruminay at St. Barnahas' Church, Roseville.

Roseville.

"It took a bit of prompting, but she managed it," Avonia told me, Fragile white christening robe has been in Mrs. Rainsford's family for 70 years.

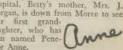
Phillipa's uncle Gwynne Rainsford is her godfather.

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GLAMOROUS American frock of pale-pink chantiff lace was worn by Party Lou Haas at the Silver Lining Ball at the Trocadero, when the was guest-of-honor at a large party given by her finner, John Harrison, to welcome ber home from America.

America:
John's mother, Mrs. R. H. Harrison, was busy president of the ball, but found time to prepare some of her famous Rossian salad for the young folk. John and Patty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Haas, of Point Piper, will marry early next

BABY daughter for Darrell and
Betty Proctor, of Lane Ceve.
Baby's mother, who was formerly
Betty Morgan, of Moree, is receiving congratulations at St. Luke's
Hospital. Betty's mother, Mrs. J.
Morgan, is down from Moree to see
her first granddaughter, who has
been named Penelone Anne.





SISTERS Betty and Green Glover, of Roseville, and Mrs. Frank Buckle (right), of Chatswood, arriving with lanch barkets and thermos of tos to spend the day at the Sydney Cricket Ground to worth visiting English team play N.S.W. Eleven.

AT GIRRAWEEN. Thirtieth Scotlish Battalion officer Rowan Waddy, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. (Gar) Waddy, of Collaron, and his bride, formerly Billie Bunting, cut their coke after marriage at The King's School Chapel. THE AMSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WEEKLY - November 25, 1950



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"Refore I come in, ask him if his illness is catching."

seems to m

THE disadvantages of being President of the United States are underlined not only by the recent attempt on the President's life, but by the subsequent revelation that he has a bodyguard on his seven o'clock morning walk.

I think one could learn more easily times one could tearn more easily to view philosophically the possibility of an attack by gunmen than one could bear the thought of being followed by the Secret Service befor breakfast.

Think of it! All of us decide, one time or another, that such and such a routine would be good for health. It might be walking to work, an early stroll round the park, a determination to have a swim daily whatever the weather.

We make these little resolutions, carry them out once, vice, or six times, and then in decent secrecy abandon

them.

However, a President presumably has to announce such an intention. Memos in triplicate are probably passed through the department responsible for providing the bodyguard. A great machine is set in motion. If the President, waking one morning, feels like turning in this whole silly idea of healthy exercise, he is haunted by the thought that the entire Secret Service will know he have restored. he has weakened.

"Old boy can't take it, huh?" all the early-shift body-guards would say.

I used to think, when I read of these healthy routines followed by leaders of States, that the habits betokened a stem self-discipline. Now I'm inclined to think that it's merely because, having embarked on a course of exercise, the poor fellows haven't the moral courage to abandon the plan in the face of witnesses.

GROUP of New York artists recently named the women they considered as the most beautiful in America.

Among the nine they named was Mary Pickford, They described her as "everybody's favorite aunt type, with an eye-catching neckline."

How and are the ravages of time! "The world's sweet-heart" becomes "coerybody's favorite aunt."

Still, at 57, Mary Pickford's recorded age, it's pretty good to rate inclusion in a list of nine chosen from America's women. Whatever slight wisfulness she may feel at the description given her, it should be offset by the fact that, as nowadays her investments include the cosmetics trade, it's a fine advertisement. After all, they might have described her as "everybody's favorite greataunt."

PUSHING my way into the shops this week I've been brooding on one of my long-held theories on present-giving.

Most people feel a present should be something which he recipient wouldn't buy for herself—some pleasing

Trouble is that most of us, therefore, tend to buy a luxury which we'd like ourselves. It might be much better if we gave presents which are necessities and left the recipient the pleasure of buying a luxury with the money thereby saved.

It would be so easy nowadays to find a wide choice of necessities suitable for presents. A pound of lamb chops would be quite handsome.

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SO the Loch Ness monster is explained at last. Naval mine experts say that the monster was merely strings of four-homed mines (uncharged) which have surfaced at intervals since they were laid during an experiment in 1918.

The idea of the experiment was to test the depths at which mines could be anchored and how long they would stay under.

The Navy men who revealed this say that they've been highly amused at the recurring stirs caused by the monster! throughout the years.

Oh, they have, have they? Well, they needn't think anyone's going to be pleased about the solution.

I was delighted to see a letter in a paper, signed "Eight Bells," expressing technical doubts. What I know about the likely behaviour of anchored mines could be written on threepence, but I share the common fondness for mysteries. And that of the Loch Ness monster still has a fided charm.

BERNARD SHAW, in leaving the bulk of his estate for the promotion of a reformed

estate for the promotion of a reformed 42-letter alphabet, has provided a packet of bother for his executor, the Public Trustee. Shaw was an ardent backer of spelling reform, but as he made no headway in introducing it himself, I doubt that anyone else will be able to do the job. Presumably, whoever is chosen to carry out the terms of the will will devote his whole time and energies to pushing the plan. But opposing it will be practically everyone who has learned to spell the other way.

While a change to phonetic spelling would certainly make the language casier to learn, it would bring a horrified howl from all those who have already learned it. When you read, you don't spell out the letters. You recognise the words at sight.

Another of the great difficulties of a phonetic spelling system would be the variation in accents throughout the English-speaking world.

system would be the variation in accents throughout the English speaking world.

But there—I'm expressing all the conservatism which Shaw spent the whole of his life deriding.

When he died I heard a lot of people say sympathetically, "Poor old chap!" But Shaw was never a poor old chap. Vital and controversial to the last, he is doubtless, from somewhere beyond the grave, looking forward with ammement to watching the frustration of whoeser is entrusted with promoting his new alphabet.

WHEN two brothers were fined recently in a London court after police had been called 11 times in one night to their house be-cause of disturbances, their 67-year-old father said, "They always cook their own food and argue in the kitchen. I know there's trouble as soon as I hear crockery smashing on the wall."

His nature is observant, though he's caim, He is proud of being always on the ball, And he quickly scents a possible alarm When he hears the china maxing on the wall.

At hints of a disturbance he's alert, He can always tell if things are getting hos, And nobody could fool him, he'll assert, The moment that he heard a rifle shot.

He's a philosophic fellow, is papa, And schene'er he hears the sounds of merry hell, He shakes a knowing head and says "Aha, The boys, I fear, aren't getting on too well."

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"Very pretty— now for a picture!

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New Formula

A LOT of the other chaps on our floor were watching her and I would have taken odds that each of them was hoping she'd change direction and walk towards him. But she kept on coming. "Pleased to see me?" Her open-

"Yes. You're a diversion, an inter-ruption, and a bit of a menace."
"You'd rather I went?"
"No. I'd rather you stayed."
"You flatter me."

"You flatter me."
"What do you want, anyway?"
"Someone intelligent to talk to,"
"Why pick on me?"
"Why not?"
"You've got me there. What do
you want to talk about?"
"Tell me about yourself."
"No, I wouldn't attempt it in the
limited time at our disposal,"
"Who said it was limited?"
"I did."
"She sat down on my table, yery

"I did."

She sat down on my table, very close to me, so that I couldn't see Jenny's photo.

She said: "I think I'm going to like it here."

like it here."

"You mean on my table?"

"No, dope," she said, standing up again. "I mean here in this laborators, You seem a good game."

Yes," I agreed, "we're great people. Especially me."

"She pondered, "Yes, I'm inclined to agree with you there."

"I noticed you the first day I came here, Of course I nook in all the men, but I noticed you particularly."

What did you want to tell me

"I don't know. Anyway, I suppose you're used to hearing that sort of thang."
"Yes, I told her, "I got used to hearing that kind of thing from Lenne."

Jenny.2 There you go again," she said,

"you've got a one track mind."

I reached past her and picked up Jenny's photograph. "Do you blame

She said: "I told you, that's only a photograph."

I got serious. "Listen, this..."
All right, all right, she interrupted, 'longet I mentioned it.

I will. But don't you forget that I mentioned it. Jenny's my girl."

"I think I'll get along now. I must cat, I suppose, "Dottie said. "We're still friends, aren't we?"

"You said that," she told me. After that I found myself looking in her direction several times during the day. I was thinking about her again at home that night. At night, I always liked to think about nights, I always liked to think about

Jenny.
Dottie shouldn't have been in my mind like that. Dottie, I realised sud-denly, was begining to be one of those things. You know, it's a word start-

things. You know, it's a word starting with t, meaning tempration.
Temptation, that's the word.
The thing to do about a girl like
Dottie was just to ignore her. Perhaps that was why I kept looking in

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her direction again the following day. One time she looked up and caught me gaping. What shid she do? She turned on a beautiful, dazzling smile that made me smile back. The thing to do about Dottie was just to ignore

She sidled over my way during the morning tea break. I meant to pretend not to notice her but found myself looking up as she approached.

"Hullo, Peter.

"Good morning."
"The name's Dot."
"So you told me,"
"I thought you must have for-

'No, I didn't forget."
'Going out for coffee?"
'No," I said, "I've too much

work."
"Then I'll have to go on my own.
You should come, too. You don't
want to work all the time."
"I have to, I've got a bit behind.
I'll have to work back to-night as
it is."

Dottie must have remembered

Dottie must have remembered that, because that night, as I walked into the lab, my eyes for some reason looked in the direction of her section of the laboratory. She was there, working. She looked up as I entered. I went to my own table. From a photo frame, Jermy watched me take off my coat and prepare for work.

I SAT down and tried to pot my mind to it. My mind kept jumping and so did my eyes, they kept jumping over towards Dartie. The evening was not very far advanced before I realised that it was not a good night for working back. I got up suddenly and started taking off my white coat.

Just as suddenly, I saw, in a mirror, Dottie start to remove her smock. I hurried, but she was at the door the same moment as I reached it.

She said: "You going home early, toor"

I looked at her. There was no doubt about Dottie, she looked nice. I put my hand under her elbow. "Come on," I said.
"Where are you taking me?"
"This marmin you suggested cof-

This morning you suggested cof-

It's an idea," she agreed.

"It's an idea," she agreed.
We went downstairs into a little cafe. There was a three-piece orchestra there, and I steered her to a table near this trio.
Dottie said: "This is too noisy."
"Stop complaining."
"I'd rather somewhere quieter, where we could talk."
"We came here for coffee."
"Yes."

A waitress brought us coffee and ast. We were silent until the hand finished a piece.
"This was nice of you, bringing me here," Dottie said.
"You caught me in a weak mo-

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Here's a ROUTINE for

At all Chemists, Stores and Ludies' Hairdressers,

THE AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WEEKLY - November 25, 1950

DICTURESQUE sidelights on life on a barge plying along England's inland waterways come from Mrs. Constance Philipp, who arrived in Australia only 18 months ago.

Color pictures and Anne Mathe-son's story of the "Festival of Boats" in our October 28 issue were of great interest to her and to her hus-

They know Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stokes, whose barge was shown in one of the pictures. Mr. Philipp, a fitter in a canal workshop, had worked on the engine of the barge.

His uncle does many of the paintings that decorate the boats.

Mrs. Philipp writes:

"The particular section of the canal, or cut as it is called, which we know best runs from Birmingham to London, where it joins up with the River Thames and the Port of London Docks, after twisting and winding its way through some of the lovellest parts of England.

"The barges, which carry about 50 tons of cargo, run in pairs now, a motor barge towing the butty barge. They do the round trip between Birmingham and London in his force a week."

"The 12 or 14-horsepower motors with which the boats are equipped were preceded by steam engines, but earlier horsepower was limited to one—which went on four legs."

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"At tunnels the horse was sent on to meet the boat at the other end, the towpath going over the top. The barges were then moved through the tunnels by the barges and his wife—flat on their backs with their feet walking along the curved sides of the tunnel—chanting words which went something like this:

"Left over right, left over right.

"Left over right, left over right, the end is in sight."

"Horses and mules are still some-times used on short hauls, but there are NO tunnels."

Reference book by Our Home Gardener

IN "The Australian Garden Book," just published, R. G. Edwards, our Horticultural Editor, and more informally Our Home Gardener, has produced a comprehensive reference

Lavishly illustrated in color, it is as useful for the garden that is grown with the aid of one pair of amateur hands as for the garden that is the work of experts.

Drawings and diagrams make clear to the novice many points that

Throughout, Mr. Edwards' enthusiasm for his subject keeps bubbling up and makes the book most read-able.

He advises the home builder when ric advises the home builder when selecting land to dig a few holes to test the depth and type of soil. This is a sound suggestion, but it would take a great deal of courage to carry out the advice under the eye of a out the advice unde land owner or agent.

Primate is man of action

SO many guests waited to greet the Archbishop of Canterbury at a Melbourne garden party that the entire time given to the event might casily have been spent hand-shaking.

Nimble-minded, amiable Dr. Fisher did what many a distinguished goest must often have longed to do. He dropped out of the receiving line and moved briskly down the long queues still awaiting him, giving to everyone in the serviced ranks a smile and graceful wave of the hand.



car and trailer when a passer-by asked the name of the maker of the coupling. Our friend suggested he look at the name on the metal, which the mun did. A couple of weeks later the man called back to say that he had here wan! as clear as anything.-Pat Pend.

Began lace-making at eight

MORE to the art of lace making.

MORE to the art of lace-making as that 35-year-old Mrs. Enid Champion, of Blackburn, Victoria, has been making exquisite lace since she was eight years old.

Housewife and mother of two children, she regards lace-making as an absorbing hobby, although, it takes her a whole evening to make a piece of lace two and a half inches square. She uses from ten to 250 bobbina.

Pussy is no longer the cat's whiskers

OWNERS of Siamere cuts in England are worried about the epi-demic of whisker-biting, which ruins a puss profile for show purposes.

Usually the whisker-biting begins ith the new-born kitten. Such a with the new-born kitten. Such a kitten will nibble off the whiskers of all its brothers and sisters, and if its appetite is not satisfied will chew off mother's.

If the whisker-biter in due cours becomes a mother, she will usually give a clean shave to all her family. and so as the whisker-biters breed the "disease" spreads.

Whiskerless cuts bump against furniture and stumble in the dark, because a cat relies on whisker-

sensitivity to gauge the width of a passage for its body.

breeden One Mrs. Kathleen Williams, SRYS there is no known and the habit is similar to nail-biting in

"I don't think odern life is modern life is making cats more nervous, she says, countered a case of whisker-biting more than ten

Battling through the sticking tape

STAFF dealing with our Plan-as-Home Contest entries have done

Entrants have shown as much originality in wrapping and fasten-ing their plans as in the plans them-silves.

Sealing wax decorated not a few. Scores of good housewives enclosed their dream-home plans by neathy, machine-stitching round the edges of covering folders.

Sheets of paper were held together with snap fasteners and safety pins, or sitched with embroidery cotton, as well as being held by the more conventional types of paper-fasteners or slide-on clips.

The palm goes to an entry from Darwin encased in surgical gauze and strapped with a couple of reels of inch-wide sticking-plaster.

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JANET BLAIR, Ezio Pinza (centre), and George Jessel were a gay trio when this picture was taken. Singer Pinza is currently in Hollywood to complete his first important screen role, has Lona Turner as co-star. He is an opera star who became famous for his part in the hit Broadway show "South Pacific."

TALKING OF FILMS

Bu M. J. McMAHON

* Let's Dance

WHEN Fred Astaire and Betty Hutton obey the title of this Paramount musical comedy and get to the dancing, the audience is treated to some very pretty footwork that goes all the way from acrobatic dancing to the minuet.

Dance sequences act as a peg on which they drape several songs. These are of lesser quality.

Attempting to ensure success for "Let's Dance," the studio has given the film everything from lush tech-nicolor trimmings to social register umaxibute.

nicolar triminings to social regional atmosphere.

The only missing device is a ser-viceable screenplay.

This one about the widowed show-business mother who is harassed by wealthy in-laws over the upbringing of her small son is too long-winded and complicated for this type of en-

and complicated for this type of en-terrainment.

Lucille Watson, Ruth Warrick,
Roland Young, and other respected troupers give adequate account of themselves.

In Sydney Prince Edward.

** No Way Out

THIS controversial film from 20th Century - Fox deals

with the problem of racial hatred, and sets out to show that prejudice is rooted in fear. The hard-hitting story is about a vicious petty-criminal (Richard Widmark) who unjustly accuses a colored doctor of taking his brother's life.

life.

Driven by imnate prejudice, he organises a gang attack on a negro section, using his hrother's wife (Linda Darnell) as a dupe, but the attack is forestalled when the negroes get wind of the affair. Prompted by their own hatred of white folk, they prepare for and defeat the aggregation.

The tenseness and reality of action is due to gripping plot, to atmos-pheric background, and to excellent

The film does not offer a solution to the over-all problem, but it handles an aspect of it with integrity. In Sydney-Regent.

★ The Perfect Woman

POTENTIALLY funny A situation is the mainspring of all action in the Two Cities comedy "The Perfect Woman."

comedy "The Perfect Woman,"
A professor who has created a
robot in the likeness of a woman
hires an impoverished, aristocratic
young man to accompany the
machine in a public tryout.
Complications arise when Pene-

lope, the professor's bored niece, poses as the robot for the evening and becomes involved in a series of frivolous misadventures.

It goes without saying that before the fadeout true identities are estab-lished for l'atricia Roy's Penelope and Nigel Patrick's aristocratic Roger.

Roger.

The gag is good enough, but wears thin because slapstick needs careful timing and witty dialogue to be really potent.

Credit is due to a east which also includes Stanley Holloway and Miles Malleson for exploiting the film's qualities and attempting to gloss over the shortcomings.

In Sydney—Embassy.

News from the studios

LEE CARROLL in Hollywood

JOE E. BROWN, recently returned from Australia, intends to make Hollywood his home for long time to come. luncheon he remarked to friends, 'I hope to stay put for a while.

"I have no plans right now except to do the role of Andy in 'Show-bont." He added, with his usual big grin, he has quit 'Harvey" for good. It cost him ten weeks' salary when he had to cut Australian appearances short to hurry back to Hollywood. He's now swamped with television offers.

DANA ANDREWS and Farley DANA ANDREWS and Farley Granger were assigned the co-starring roles in Sam Goldwyn's "I want You," which rolls early next year. Based according to Goldwyn, on the original idea of Sam Goldwyn, june, the film story deals with United States military mehitisation in terms of the typical American family. Andrews and Granger both play the roles of World War II veterant who once again face the draft.

PRETTY June Allyson got the coveted role of a noted woman doctor in M.G.M.'s "Bowery to Bellevue." The story, by Emily Barringer, is the life of Miss Barringer's mother, who was the first woman doctor on the staff of New York's famed Bellevue Hospital. The film will be launched early next year, after the birth of June's baby.

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Stars of "Kangaroo," 'Convicted. Margaret O'Brien,

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BURNS: Immortal Scots bard

When Robert Burns' body was to be buried in St. Michael's Churchyard, Dumfries, fellowvolunteers of the local company to which he belonged paid him the honor of three volleys fired over his grave, while, at the cottage from which his coffin had been taken, his wife, "Bonnie Jean," gave birth to his last child, a son.

THE baby did not stay long after him, but Burns needed none of his numerous children

to perpetuate his memory. While a single Scot remains alive the name of Robert Burns will be part of his consciousness.

The magic of Burns' songs has

followed the British race around the world, and his pungent, homely wis-dom is part of its common speech.

Robert Burns died on July 21, 1796, but it is only in our own day that a clear, human picture of him is emerging from the mists of hearsay and idolatrous legend.

and idolatrous legend.

The traditional view of him as an unlettered ploughboy, who burst suddenly into song, ruined innumerable women, and died of drink at an early age, thus nipping a glorious career in the bud, is mostly moonshine.

He was by no means unlettered. His affairs with women were remarkable mainly because he advertised them. He died not of drink but of heart disease, and his glorious career was over long before he died.

as over long before he died. Robert Burns (or Burness) was born at Alloway, in Ayrshire, on January 25, 1759, in a two-roomed clay but ("the auld clay biggin")

built by his father's own hands. Both his mother, Agnes Broun, and his father, William Burness, came of a long line of small farmers, and Burns was to be a tenant farmer for most of his life.

Thanks to his father, a thoughtful, intense man typifying all that is best in peasant stock, Robert and the younger children were unusually well educated for their station.

The Burns family scated at table with "parritch" spoons in one hand and books in the other is typical of half Robbie's early life. His formal education was supple

mented by the stories and songs of his mother and his mother's cousin, Betty Davidson, who lived with them

Old Betty had, says Burns, largest collection in the country of tales and songs concerning devils, fairies, brownies, witches, warlocks, spunkies, kelpies, elf-candles, deadlights, wraiths, apparitions, cantrips, giants, enchanted towers, dragons, and other trumpery."

But books and stories were for the But books and stories were for the evening. The daylight hours were filled with unending, back-breaking drudgery on the unyielding soil of his father's succession of ruinous farms. The family's diet was mainly outmeal and vegetables. Meat was almost unknown.

Rhumpure force had weakened

Rheumatic fever had weakened Burns' heart to start with, and "the unceasing toil of a galley-alave" and poor food finished the job. All his adult life he suffered from heada ches, palpita-tions, and melan-choly moods. Yet he was a

ing, and sturdyof striking eyes, large, dark, and brilliant. Women found them irre-sistible; even men were dazzled by

Nellie Kilpatrick was the first to find them so. She kindled in him the fires of love and poetry at harvest time under the August moon when he was scarcely sixteen.

However, it was some time before his susceptible heart landed him on the "cutty-stool" in the kirk to be publicly reproved by the ciders, for he was shy with the lassies—at first.

Everyone liked him because he was so gay, such good company. You were sure of a laugh if Robbie was around, and his verses were in everyone's mouth.

The author might be wild and a sisance, but he was worth watching. "Did ye hear the one about Willie Fisher? Man, it's a treat!"

Willie Fisher, the snooping elder of the Mauchline Kirk Sesson, who was later found dead in a ditch after

POETS in

a drinking bout, is the immortal hypocrite of "Holy Willie's Prayer." Robbie was taken up socially in the towns around Mauchline. He became an enthusiastic Freemason

and a leading spirit of the Tarbolton Bachelors' Club. He went to dancing

classes—much to the displeasure of his father, who was full of apprehen-sion for his brilliant boy.

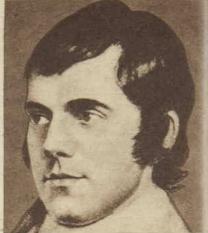
In 1782 Robbie went to Irvine to learn the trade of a flax-dresser and

got mixed up with sailors, smugglers,

These dubious companions intro-duced him to "bold John Barley-corn" and gave him a new, and far from timid, attitude to womankind.

and he put these newly acquired ideas into practice. As a result, the infant daughter of his mother's dairymaid,

and freebooters.



ROBERT BURNS was a great moralist in his poetr despite his wayward life. His songs link the Scottish race around the world

Elizabeth Paton, was duly absorbe into his accommodating household at Mossgiel.

Robert and his brother Gilbert Robert and his brother choice had migrated to Mossgiel after farming for a while at Lochica mostly by "reading agricultura books and miscalculating the crops."
Then Burns met his "bonnie Jean"

at a dance. Her sparkling eyes and pretty figure had the inevitable effec-"Holy Willie" was soon or the scent again, and by June 18, 1786, Jean Armour was writing to 1786, Jean Armour was writing to the Mauchline Kirk Session that she was sorry to trouble them, but was "obliged to acknowledge that I am with child, and that Robert Burns in Mossgiel is the father." In a panic, Burns gave Jean some sort of paper either acknowledging marriage or promising one Socia-

a marriage, or promising one. Scot-tish law, a practical affair designed to accommodate young people of exuberant vitality, would have regarded this as binding.

But Jean's stern and respectable father, a master mason, would have none of Burns as a son-in-law He tore up the paper and packed

his daughter off to relatives.

Burns, thinking Jean had deserted him, flung himself off to betroth himself to Mary Campbell, a nurse-maid in the house of a friend.

It is most unlikely that this High-land Mary episode was any more spiritual than the general run of Burns' relationships with women.

Meanwhile, Jean was safel-elivered — of twins. Burns delivered — of twins. Burns announced the fact with mingled pride and coarseness in letters to his friends. The boy was deposited at Mossgiel, the girl was to die about

Soon after their birth, Highland Mary died at Greenock. who had been intending to take job as bookkeeper on a slave estart in Jamaica, cancelled his passage made his peace with the Kirk, and was rewarded with his "single-man's" certificate.

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ROBERT BURNS

TIH the unexpected success of his book of poems, he went Edinburgh, bent on forgetting

days after his poems appeared on July 31, 1786, all Ayrshire was ring-ing with his name.

Literacy Edinburgh lionised him for four or five months as the Ploughman-Poet. He enchanted the Duchess of Gordon and Lady Cock-burn, was admired, toasted, and pat-

ronised.

After a fleeting and triumphant visit home, where the formerly irate James Armour fawned on him, Robbie swept back to Edinburgh, and complicated his life further by a fresh entanglement with a floffy little grass widow, Mrs. Agnes McLehose, the Clarinda of his poems, heroine of "Ae Fond Kiss."

The second edition of the poems

of "Ae Fond Kiss."

The second edition of the poems brought the author £400, and the world was his for the taking. Yet Burns turned his back on success, and, after two walking tours in Scotland and the North of England, returned to his own people for the rest of his life.

It is hard to say just why he did so. He was probably contemptuous of the fame represented by the salons. He may well have been smitten with remorse about Jean, who as a result of his visit home was to have another child.

In addition, Edinburgh society could not have been prepared to accept him perma-nently. He was atterly sin

ntterly sincere and had no capacity for polite compromise. His satiric tongue was his worst enemy. As his friend Maria Riddell put it, "for every ten jokes he got a hundred enemies." His fear of being patronised made him brusque and hard.

Back at Mauchline, he turned over some of the proceeds of his book to get his brother on his feet, began negotiations for buying a farm at Ellisland, and to everyone's astonishment acknowledged Jean as his wife. The Kirk officially forgave them, and Burms paid over his guinea to the poor in expiation of his offence. Before this happy solution of their difficulties, Jean was again delivered of twins. Both habies died.

Burns settled down in earnest to

Burns settled down in earnest to farming and domesticity, with a brief backward glance at the past in "To Mary in Heaven." His nostalgia did not prevent him writing gay love-songs to his wife, from fathering five more children in wedlock, and from gladdening the heart of Anna Park,

Personality Quiz:

ARE

YOU

then turn to page 36 for your rating

1-Do you ait placidly when a

waitress takes 20 minutes to bring your order of assorted sandwiches and a cup of tea?

2—At boring meetings do you fidget in your chair and look at the clock?

3 When reading that detective thriller, do you sneak a look at the ending when you're half-way through?

4 (a) Women—If you discover a small mistake in your knit-ting four inches back, do you carefully and laboriously correct

(b) Men—You've undertaken to paint the house. Do you start with great enthusiasm and end up by paying the painter to finish the

port except for minor verse and the glorious tale of "Tam o' Shanter."

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Jean.

In these last years, ostracised because of his (French) revolutionary enthusiasm, Burns became embittered

"The sweetest hours that e'er I spent,

Were spent among the lasses, O!"

sion of pain. close my eyes with misery and open them with

suffering from endocarditis most of his life, and the

The legend that Burns "caught his death" by falling asleep in the snow after a drunken party may or may not be true. He would have died in

He managed to get back from his "health resurt" to Dumfries in time to write his last letter—to his fatherin-law for help for his wife in her

confinement.

"I'm feeling better; I'll be well soon," he said just before the end. Burns' courage alone would have redeemed his faults without his

IMPATIENT?

6-Is your temper easily aroused?

7 (a) If you drive a car do you honk the horn very often?
(b) When on foot do you race across streets against the policeman's signal?

8—Do you think you would make a good school tracher if you had the academic qualifications for the post?

9—If told you may have to spend the afternoon with dear Aunt Flossic (aged 89) or young Billy (aged 2), do you try to get out of it?

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barmaid of the Globe Tavern at

Jean remained unruffled in the face of all his defections. Anna Park's daughter was given to her and suckled along with her own contem-porary child.

"Robbie should hae had twa wives," Jean observed laconically. Although Burns could boast of his happiness, marriage seems to have put an end to his career as a

His farming venture failed in due course. A move to Dumfries in 1791 as excise inspector (on £70 a year) accelerated his drinking and completed the ruin of his health. Yet he continued to pour out song after sing for Thomson's Collec-

been singing them ever since.

The actual return to the poet was

and more dissipated. Prematurely old, he wrote sadly in April, 1796:

I have only known existence by the pressure of sickness and counted time

out hope.... Though no one knew it, Burns had been

disease by sending him bolting about the countryside on a horse and bathing in the cold sea.

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• The most recent and best short account of Burns' life is "There was a Lad," by Hilton Brown. Longer biographies in-clude those by Franklyn Bliss Snyder, Hans Hecht, and Alan Cunningham.

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1() Do you accept setbacks and disappointments with a re-mark like, "Oh well, in a hundred years we'll all be dead and it won't matter"?

Pont SPOIL THE PARTY

• Parties are always much more fun when everything goes smoothly. To be sure of this it is essential to know just how to behave so that neither your hostess nor fellow guests will have any cause for criticism. Many youngsters to-day try to get by on their charm and personality, but it is not enough. Good manners are indispensable.



CALLING FOR your girl has several pitfalls. One of them which traps many young fellows is sitting outside a house in the car and honking the horn—"Ain't ya comin' out" sort of thing.



DANCING WITH HOSTESS reveals not only good manners, but thoughtfulness as well. Do this and you'll be invited again for sure.

FUNNY STORIES (below) set a party off, but make sure they are not too risque and that you don't embarrass your friends.



FLOWERS (above) should not be pinned where they will be squashed while dancing.

HEY, YOUNG MAN. The curtains aren't meant to be tied even if it is hot (right).







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COLITA THE SINGING GIPSY is Australian Beryl Barry devised as pa bund-and-wife musical act in U.S.



MELHOURNE COUPLE Charles and Beryl Barry and Bing Crosby watch character-actor Barry Pitzgerald act in a scene from the film "Top O' the Morning"

Pianist, singer work way round the world From

A pair of hands and a voice have taken Melbourne bandleader Charles White and his wife, Beryl, on a trip round the world.

The hands belong to Charles, hefty, genial, and as nimble-fingered a pianist as you could wish to find. Beryl is the voice.

bond.

So far it has got them more than comfortably through the than comfortably through the U.S.—from Hollywood to New York—through England, Germany, Italy, Holland, France, Austria, Egypt, Greece, Tripolitania, and Malta. In Malta they entertained Princess Elizabeth aboard H.M.S. Surprise, and later collided accidentally during the dancing on deck with the Princess and the Duke of Edinburgh. In Hollywood liast year the Reput was

Princess and the Duke of Edinburgh. In Hollywood last year the coolic "brunette Beryl was assembled to find herself suddenly mining favorite for-the leading role opposite Bing Crosby in "Top O' the Morning." However, Ann Blyth was eventually given the part.

Not the least astonishing aspect of their success is that before they left Australia Beryl had scarcely graduated from the dilettante class of singer.

However, Beryl and her husband decided to work their way round the world as an entertainment act. They called themselves "The Earrys," using Beryl's maiden name. At their first stop in California,

FOR currency they have Paramount Pictures found Beryl at talent plus a 500-dollar discreptione in a diagrammering executing against At the time Paramount the microphone in a dimmering evening gown. At the time Paraevening gown. At the time Para-mount was looking for a new per-sonality, and here was Beryl, sophisticated, vital, and obviously having the time of her life.

With all those dollars and the shiny new contract staring her in the face, Beryl Barry's insou-ciance deserted her.

"You know what happened?" asked Beryl, "My nerve gave way, and I babbled through my screen test like a schoolgirl.

"Ah, well, who cares?" she laughed "Spilt milk and all that. We've landed on our feet everywhere, and it's been grand fun."

The Barrys had to turn down offers of engagements because as Australians in the U.S. they are limited to working for the people stipulated in their labor permit.

"If we had been able to accept every engagement offered to us out-side that permit we could still be there," said Charles. "Two hun-dred and fifty dollars a week for an engagement was considered chicken-feed."

In Phoenix, Arizona, where they risked an engagement at a super-luxury hotel, they were fined 1000

BILL STRUTTON, in London

dollars for not having a labor permit for the job.

The Barrys looked at each other and started laughing at the mention of Phoenix. That was where a hand-some Southerner offered to trade Charles his blonde wife—and his 4000-dollar town-and-country con-vertible thrown in—for Beryl.

Beryl teased her husband, "First he took a look at the blonde, he went to inspect the car!"

When their labor permit ran out, the Barrys went to England, and landed with nothing but their 500-dollar bond.

"In America you can cash a bond like that across the counter of any bank," said Charles. "But the clerk in the bank here looked the carry in the data are robaco at it asspiciously, then looked at us and demanded to know where we got it. Cashing it, he said, was our of the question. What was more, they would have to keep it and, er,

"So until we got our first English engagement, we borrowed." One of their first Johs was with the Crazy Gang of film and record fame, at the Victoria Palace.

The money was unexpectedly big.

and put them on their feet.

"Months later the bank wrote asking were we aware we had left a 500-dollar bond lying in the bank and would we kindly collect it," Charles said.

Troop entertainment, cabaret en-gagements, concert parties, tele-vision, broadcasting, and the varieva stage have financed the Barrys all over Europe and the Middle East.

They are now playing at the Wind-mill Theatre.

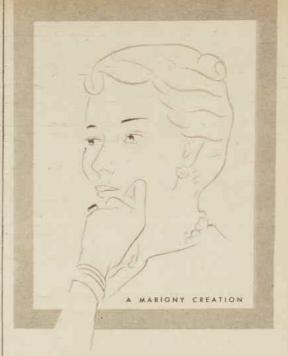
The Barrys come on between a bubble dance and the French can-can. Despite this highly seasoned competition, their rendering of "Dry Bones" is one of the hits of the show.

The flarrys have few superstitions, but they never discuss where they will go or what they will do next.
"The subject is completely taboo,"

said Beryl.

"I only know that I get a tre-mendous kick out of warhling into a microphone, and Charles has the time of his life at the piano. I sup-pose that's what has made audiences life. like us.

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BERYL sings a number in the B.B.C. television studio in the Alexandra Palace, London, while husband Charles accompanies her at the piano.

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WEAVING of flaxen mats is an art still practised by the Maoris. These Maoris are weaving mats at Wakarewarewa, Rotorua, outside a decorated meeting house.

CLOUDS of thick vapor rise from the Dragon's Mouth at Wairakei, centre of hot lake district, Wairakei is on the Waikato River, famous for its fishing.

New Zealand Holiday

7 HOURS BY AIR

A holiday in New Zealand has been brought within seven hours of Australia by a flying-boat service operating between Sydney, Auckland, and Wellington. New Zealand is crowded with tourist attractions: thermal springs, geysers, and baths, ski-runs, golf courses, and trout streams. On these pages are pictures of North Island beauty spots within a radius of 200 miles that may be seen in a week with comfort.



LONGEST LAKE in New Zealand, Lake Taupo, is fringed with boiling springs and pools of boiling mud. Lake has an area of 241 square miles, is 534 feet deep, 17 miles wide. Name means "resting place during the darkness."



EXTINCT VOLCANO Mount Egmont rises from the rich pasture lands of Taranaki province. Egmont is popular resort for mountaineers, skiers, trampers. Its peak dominates the scene for many miles. Area abounds in bird life.

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THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- This table delicacy has a mineral spring and play rough Jokes upon us.
- Mother rodent was a leader in the Prench revalution, (5.) Plourished yet the end of it was wrenched off. (7.)
- Devotional exercise commemorating financialism at essent of bells 17.1 President of a republic who was also a world-famous pinnist (10.)
- a worst-famous plannist (16,)
 A horse which may have a most. (4,)
 A muddled meal. (3,)
 Large ross post for the siew used on
 campaign. (4,)
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 Evillable place for thieves or just for
 secution. (3,)
- stellation. (3.)
 Ent one thousand by way of mouth and virious. (2.)
 Knock senseless a holy French our. (4.)
 Only women can receive such money.
- Bernold the saint vanished (4,)
 A carp met us, we should it and now
 a settled in our hand between the
 wrast and fingers, 100.

 When the saint was sainty and tegally
 bound, (7) he music sainty and tegally
 bound, (7)

 Spit rod, (Anagr. 7.)

 Occurrence of a amouth few (5.)

 Hat that tells you from where the wind
 is blowing, (8).

Solution to last week's crossword.



'What did you bark?'

"I said cigarette?"
"No thanks, Peter,"
". . . The name's Mr. Bryant."
"I call you Peter for short."

I had my own cigarette and I tapped it on the table. I looked round the cafe.

"Aren't you going to smoke your cigarette?"

ct's get out of here," I said We got up and went out. I said: rain or tram?"

You mean you're going to take

'Yes, I want to see where you

CUPID and my Campaspe played At cards for kisses; Cupid paid: He stakes his quiver, bow, and arrows,

His mother's doves, and team of sparrows;

Growing on's cheek (but none knows how), With these, the crystal of his brow, And then the dimple of his chin;

Loses them, too; then down he throws The coral of his lip, the rose

All these did my Campaspe win. At last he set her both his eyes. She won, and Cupid blind did rise.

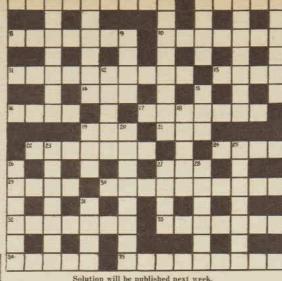
O Love! has she done this to thee?

What shall, alas! become of me?

My favorite poem

Here is the favorite poem of Miss A. Cree, of Fremont Street, Concord West, N.S.W. Send us your favorite lines.

CUPID AND CAMPASPE-by John Lyly



Solution will be published next week

DOWN

- Securingly absord statement sets a backbanded rap, a consequent diffi-culty, and an influence facility, and an influence facility. A continuous variable in a decausally attach for inducent persons, in.)

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- Orees coin, (6.) Fresh tea for a small tailed amphibian, (4.) Kenn, though carries his age in the middle (b.)

- is The beginning of time down is recent.

 (3.)

 18. Two eyes study intricate Greek dislect.

 (3.)

 19. Small apot leading back to five hundred.

 (3.)

 (4.)

 20. A girl 3 have in an official letter, (7.)

 20. Overcoat made to a Copt. (3, 4.)

 21. Drinks greedly in ease and pass away.

 (6.)

 22. Father's tea gone by. (4.)

 23. Born in the country at vine mixed.

 24. Making a wager to assist an offender.

 (4.)

New Formula

DOTTIE sighed as she put down her coffee. "That doesn't matter," she said, "so long as I caught you."

I said, "I wish that darn band would play again."
"They" long soon ground." The train was noisy and we didn't speak. From the station there was a short walk to the street where she This is nice," Dottie said, "com-

ing home with you.

"Everything's nice."

"They II play, soon enough."

She was resting her arm on the table, watching me. I could have touched her hand if I wanted to, I wanted to, I said suddenly:

"Cisparette?" "You ever tried laughing?"
"I did once. How far down is

Not far," Not waid: "Why did you have to pick

I said: "Why did you have to pick on me?"

"How do you mean?"
I said: "I don't know this part of the world at all. Looks a nice part."

"Everything's nice," Dottie said We walked on a little. She stopped and said: "This is our place."

We stood outside her place, outside the front gate. The night was dark and the first light was a chain away, but I could look down at Dottie and see her face. I wanted Dottic and see her face. I wanted to take her and kiss her. It was my move and I had to decide quickly. I decided quickly.

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"Good-night," I said. I turned and walked back along the street. I'd gone about ten yards when she called,

I stopped dead.

She said: "Wait, Peter." She walked after me, not hurrying. She got to me. "Peter, I

"Good-night," I said. This time

I couldn't move off.
"Peter, please, listen. I—I know
I've been frightfully clumsy, but I— I've just been angling to get you so I could talk to you. That's all." ... Well?"

"I-I came here from another

"I know."
"I came from the same place your Jenny went to.

"Listen, Peter. She came to our laboratory. She had a photo of you, on her desk, just like you've got hers. After a few days she took it down. She had to. She found herself a new chemist with curly hair. She sort of suggested, in an unsubtle kind of way, that I might like to break the news to you when I got here. I haven't liked breaking the news to you," Dottie said.

I said, after a while: "Sorry I had. Go on.

I said, after a while: "Sorry I had

you wrong."

Dottic said: "Why don't you light that cigarette you had before?"

"It's an idea." I got out a cigarette and lit it. "Good-night," I said.

I turned and started to walk. I smited for her to call out. She waited for her to call out. She didn't. Not for a long time. Not until I'd taken about eight steps. That was a long time for Dottie to keep me waiting.

When I turned round she said:
"You come back here this time.
Come in and I'll make you real
coffee and we'll drink it without
noisy bands or other people about us or anything.

It was a short walk back to Dottie. "You've got yourself a chemist," I said. Dottie.

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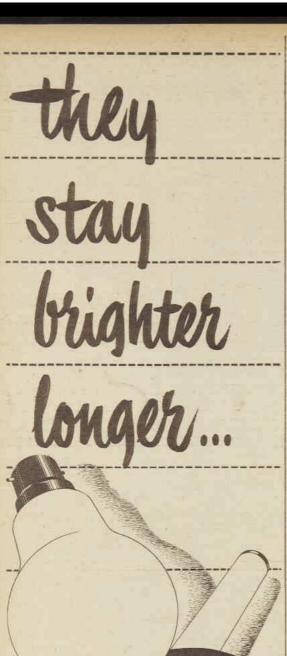
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Mission for Fenwick

HE two came and squatted on their heels; the six men crept in close, sitting up, half of their number facing inwards, the other half facing outwards. The other half facing outwards. The stillness of the night could be felt.

"I have news," the Korean said simply. "The young lady is well. But she would not come with me. She fears this is a trap. I told her you were British. I explain, as best I could, how you are dressed. But she says 'That dress belongs to men of the sea. Sailors would not come backing for me." looking for me."

Dawson groaned. "I never thought of that happening.

"It is only God who can foresee all things," said the Korean. "Other-wise, would we be fighting now? Any-way, I thought one of you might like to go down and talk to her, so I brought a guide." In the darkness his extended hand indicated the girl.

"She does not speak English, this girl. But she is reliable. She will take you to the place. It is possible for only one of you to go. It is very dangerous! The Communists very dangerous! The Communists have a big camp down there. Their fires and tents are everywhere. You must pass through that camp and then back again. There is no other

He paused as if to impress on his listeners the danger that lay ahead.

isteners the danger that lay ahead.

"I have brought you clothes that our women wear. It is the best disguise that I can think of. They do not mind our women walking in their camp. It will be dangerous, it will be very dangerous, for some of them may follow you thinking you are looking for them. I have brought the one who goes this."

Starlight glittered dully on a knife blade. "It might be useful," he ended simply. ended simply.

Fenwick was on his feet imme-liately. "Pil go!" he said.

"It's my duty to go," Dawson rold him firmly

"I volunteered," Fenwick grinned.
"Anyway, if the bloke that goes collects his ticket, then I'm hanged if I want to be the one to lead these other matelots back to the ship and make a report to the old man. The make a report to the old man. The skipper can think up some pretty awkward questions to fire at a bloke at the best of times."

Stripped to his underpants, Fen-wick had divested himself of any nationality, even to his identity disc He was even humorous about that "Hang it on a lamp-post at the Cross next New Year's Eve," he told them. "H Pete lets me out for a stroll that night I'll come down and claim it."

The two Koreans swathed him in the costume. "Boy, oh boy, what a wow of a time I'd have on board in this," he laughed.

They shook his hand. No one ooke. He followed the girl into spoke. He

PERSONALITY QUIZ

A NSWERS to Personality Quiz published on page 28: 1, Yes; 2, No; 3, No; 4 (a), Yes; (b), No; 5, Yes; 6, No; 7 (a), No; (b), No; 8, Yes; 9, No; 10, Yes.

10-7. You're so patient and forbearing that others are likely to impose on you.

6-4. You're patient, not placid, and well able to stand up for your rights.

Under 4. Your impatience and restlessness tire you and your friends. Put your feet up and Continued from page 5

The path, when they found it, wound crookedly down the side of the hill, not steeply, angling away at a tangent as if to skirt the lake below. Presently the guide stopped. She turned on him and said some She turned on him and said some-thing he could not understand. She became annoyed, repeating exam-peratedly what she had said. Then of a sudden she bent down and slapped him across the shins. Next she walked a few steps as women of her race walked, then, as he walked with long strides, again she macked his shins smartly. smacked his shins smartly.

Fenwick laughed softly. "Oh, I see! I get it. I've got to walk like you, not like a bloke in a hurry for a beer, ch?"

In a little while flickering flames from numerous scattered fires dotted the night ahead. They were every-where. Not in ordered company, but scattered haphazardly all over the place, with many men around their warmth for the night air down here beside the lake was chilly.

The guide fell back beside Fen-wick. They walked together straight through the camp. Men called in their gutural tongues. Laughter followed them. But no one came to intercept them. The hilt of the knile in Fenwick's hand was reassur-

Beyond the fires the track lifted abruptly, twisting, winding upwards. On one side there was a cliff, on the other an empty void from which rose the damp smell of the lake.

The path rose and fell and at last, where it traversed the fringe of the lake, they came to a wide clear-ing in which snuggled a small village. In a few huts they passed, guttering candles lit up dimly the interiors. In all that he could see into were Koreans. Then they were in a hut where a number of old

m a nut where a minor of our people sat on the floor in a circle round a flickering candle. To these people the girl said some-thing. They looked up sharply, star-ing in an astonished way at Ferwick The expressions on their faces made him chuckle as he threw back the loose hood that had covered his

In the shadow beyond the candle light a figure moved sharply, stepped forward. "What are you doing here?"

doing here:

Fernvick pecred across at her. She was not tall and she was slim. The candiclight, reaching up from the floor, showed that she was dressed in a plain white frock, a large black clasp at her throat, large black but-tons down the front of the dress. Most of her face was in shadow. But the little he could see was nice, like her hair, dark; the weak light glint-ing on it here and there.

He was instantly tongue-tied. This was going to be far worse than facing

was going to be far worse than taking the skipper. "The boss sent me along," he managed at last "to take you back with us."
"O....h!" she said. Then the tenseness seemed to leave her. She saged a little. "I thought, when the old man came this evening, it was only a trap to get me away from my friends. I imagined, by the way he described you, that you were

sailors."

Fenwick chuckled. "We've got to go ashore sometimes," he told her. "Otherwise we'd be pretty shy fellers in company, wouldn't we?"

She laughed then, a relieved, choking little laugh. It ended Fenwick's shyness. She had what it takes, be tecknood. It here would have

where supposes so he had what it cases, he tecknood. In a short while her Korean friends had dressed the girl in native garb. They farewelled her sadly, with much hand-shaking and nodding of their heads and looking at Fenwick. Then she and Fenwick went back along the path by the lake. There was no guide now. Just the two of them. Fenwick leading the way

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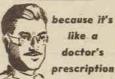
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A Mission for Fenwick

WHEN the lights of the dying camp fires gleamed faintly ahead, Fenwick stopped, whispered close to her ear. "Listen, if any of these galoots try to stop us I'll attend You keep going straight You can't miss the path on to them. the other side if you keep a straight course. When you get to the top of the hill, where the road is, you'll find any mates. Lieutenant Dawson is the man who'll look after you. He's' a great feller. Quite clear now?"

She nodded her head

Good! . . . Take this!" He held the knife. "Good!

"I have one," she told him, "but I don't know if I will be able to use

Fenwick nearly laughed out loud with amazement. He'd never before in his life met a girl with the courage she was showing.

He was tempted to put his arm round her and squeeze her, just because she had the pluck to be contageous at a time when he had expected anything else of her. He chuckled. "It will make a mighty fine souvenir to hang on your bed-room wall when you get home, six-

Most of the camp was in darkness as they hurried through, for it was well past midnight. They walked side by side. "Just keep looking ahead," Fenwick said from the corner of his mouth. "I've got my fingers crossed. That's the best thing I

know."
"It helps," she confided, bringing a quick flow of warmth to his heart. He'd remember this girl for a long time in the future.

They skirted a squat tent where a half-dozen men lolled on the ground round the dying fire. Some of them looked up; one called out, raising a laugh among his companions.

"Just keep walking," Fenwick

Two of the soldiers scrambled to their feet, calling loudly. Their companions roared with laughter. The two came hurrying from the fire, loud calls following their departure.

"Walk faster and don't look back!" Fenwick said quietly, his cars strain-ing for the sound of overtaking foot-

Beauty in brief:

For cool

Change your hair-do. A chie trick for summer is the feather-spray bob. The idea, as a leading hair stylist explains

as a reason are system.

It, is carefree neatness. The hair is cut so that it measures about two inches at the nape of the neck and tapers upwards to about one-half inch at the

Either natural wave or a per-manent is essential to this style.

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Lighten your lipstick. Try pretty pastel lips in deference to lighter clothes colors. One

new shade may not be enough, though. You'll need pink to wear with blues and greens, and

golden-coral to wear with reds, yellows, and the smart new

· Reinstate your nailtips, which

are apt to grow more quickly

brown tonings.

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They found the path. The girl They found the path. Ihe girl took the lead, hurrying on upwards, trembling a little, and suddenly she was aware that she was alone, the immense stealthiness of the night settling like an oppressive weight all around her so that she was frightened and stumbled repeatedly on the rough path. rough path.

The passing of the slow hours irked Lieutenant Dawson. He fidgetted a lot; continually moved his position where he lay on the hard ground, vaguely noting each time a man was awakened and crawled away to do his watch on the outermost fringe of the perimeter.

Dawson slept in brief snatches, wakening at the slightest movement, wishing over and over for Fenwick's return to put an end to his fears for

Dawn was faint when a lone figure

Dawn was faint when a lone figure approached over the path. Dawson stood up abruptly, startled, a little relieved. The figure stopped dead, a quick indrawn gasp that was purely feminine escaping her as Dawson rose so unexpectedly to con-front her.

From out of the undergrowth stepped the sentry, his rifle at the ready. "Halt!"

. h!" said the figure almost collapsing. "I . . . I was told to find Lieutenant Dawson."

In a matter of moments she had told her story. She wasn't sure where she had lost contact with Fenwick. He had been there behind her when they entered the path. That was all she knew

"We will give him till daylight," Dawson told the listening men soberly. "He should be along by then." He should be mount then." He doubted that, even though he had to sound as if he meant it.

They waited till full daylight. The They wated till full daytight. Ihe scamen silently sprawled on their backs or on their sides. The old Korean sat by himself, hunched down on his heels, eyes closed and chin on chest. He may have been asleep.

The cited having diverted heard!

The girl, having divested herself free giri, naving divisited resent of her native costume, sat with her back against a stunted bush, hands folded listlessly on her lap, her eyes, whenever they moved elsewhere, darr-ing back to the path up which she had come at dawn

comfort

in summer. If you've been

in summer. If you've been covering your entire nail with varnish, just for the sheer change of it reveal tips and moons once more. An orange stick will help keep tips stark clean, and pencil or nail white will accentuate whiteness.

• Encourage coolness.. Colognes and talcums have a natu-

ral affinity for thinsy fabrics, especially crisp cottons. Take up light floral scents and put aside femme fatale perfumes

To keep feeling cool and lighthearted, try putting skin tonics, lotions, and creams into the refrigerator.

temporarily.

By CAROLYN EARLE, Our Beauty Expert

 Here is a small collection of grooming and glamor ideas aimed at keeping a step ahead of the humidity of summer days we are now facing

But of them all Dawson was the most worried. Some time within the next hour or so he would have to give the order to march.

They had to be back at the beach for the rendezvous with the boat from the destroyer at 1000 hours. It would depend a lot on their luck on the road as to how long it would take them to get there. On the other band, what of Fenwick? Fenwick had volunteered for a

dangerous mission, knowing the risks he would take. Knowing, too, that if he failed to return within a reason-able time then they must march off and leave him. Sorties like this ran to a timetable. They have to, But Dawson was human. It

But Dawson was human. It seemed to him so callous to say, "Right, men, we'll move off!" It might be at the very moment that they had disappeared over the edge of the hill that Fenwick would arrive at the place where he had left them And he might be wounded.

A long, slow-moving convoy of trucks went by on the road, headed south, heavily manned and bristling with armament.

The last big truck of this convoy The last big truck of this collection had hardly passed by more than ten minutes when down from the north swept three Mustangs, the high drone of their engines growing powerfully to beat and dance in the

They came down fast, three de-structive, powerful, graceful birds diving on their prey, the wind of their passing rollicking in the scrub, blinding Dawson and his companions

One by one, as they overtook the convoy, they dropped their rockets. Flame and dust and smoke rent the quiet morning!

"It was lucky for us they didn't arrive twenty minutes earlier," Daw-son thought thankfully.

Apparently that was the end of the convoy. Climbing leisurely in a wide circle the planes came round on a reconnaissance, then headed south down the road.

The girl, her eyes following the disappearing specks, her hands at her throat, said slowly and distinctly: "How like a movie it all is

only . here we are part of it."

And as if to prove how unrelated to the grim business of war all this was, up the path from the lake came Fenwick. There was drying blood on his scalp, a caw knife wound on his bare shoulder, and the native costume was nothing but torn rags dangling over the girdle at his waist.

He grinned impishly. "Lieutenant Dawson and party I presume."

Of them all it was the girl who welcomed him the most. Her face

had a light that was a conflicting range between disbelief, pleasure, and the need for tears.

Precisely to the hour the boat from Precisely to the hour the boat from the destroyer nosed in on the beach. In the darkness of the undergrowth Dawson spoke softly, "Ready, men? Let's go!" There was so much relief in his voice that it was a wonder he didn't go hopping and skipping down the beach. Fenwick, springing to his feet, helped the girl to hers. Her fingers tightened round his so that he could not let go. He suddenly found he was quite happy holding her hand like that. "Anyway, which one are you? Miss

"Anyway, which one are you? Miss Grayson or Miss Bruce," he said. She laughed softly. "Esma Bruce."

Fenwick squeezed her fingers armly. "I'm progressing famously. The next important question I will ask you, when you get to know me a bit better, of course, is your home

ing her cheek for an instant against his shoulder. "I think I will tell you that now."

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MR. PHIL DAVENPORT sailing the world

A IRLINES pilot Phil Davenport A IRLINES pilot Phil Davenport left Sydney recently with his wife, brother Keith, and friend Don Brown, to sail round the world in his 47ft, cutter Waltzing Matilda. Always loved the sea, and sailed in small boats on George's River as a child. Was five years in R.A.A.F., and later joined Quntas on overseas tun. Recently married air hostess Rozetta Alison. They planned cruise as honeymoon. Their vessel crossed line first in 1949-50 Sydney-Hobart race. They intend to sail to U.K. via New Zealand, Chile, and Magelland Straits, and will visit West Indies.



MRS. FANNY SMITH woman magistrate

HONORARY magistrate to the Juvenile Court in Adelaide, Mrs. Fanny Smith, J.P., of Adelaide, wone of the few women in Australia to hold such a position. Appointed right years ago, she says only 10 per cent, of delinquents brought before her are girls. Delinquency is decreasing she finds. Is member of National Council of Women and Justices' Association. Has three daughters. Her son, a doctor, was killed with the R.A.A.F. in New Guinea. Finds time to look after her house and buit for four grandchildren.

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BIGAIL went into the kit-A chen. The cook, a blowzy woman in a soiled white dress woman in a solice white trees, was leaning against the sink smoking a cigarette and talking idly to Nacio. "I'm the new Mrs. Castle," Abi-gail said, "Beat it, Nacio." Nacio scurried through a swing-

ing door. The cook's eyebrows lifted.
"I'm Mrs. Forbes," she said.
"You've probably guessed what I do

"Yes, I have," Abigail said, "and judging by my breakfast, I was won-dering if you couldn't do it a little

"Something the matter with it, Mrs. Castle? Mr. Castle has always been pleased with my work." "Where do you do your trading?" "The El Dorado Market."

A small metal box on the wall puzzed loudly, and a metal numeral

flipped up.
"That's the boss," Mrs. Forbes said. "I got to fix his breakfast."

Abigail went into the library, found a telephone book, dialled the El Dorado Market and requested the manager. He came on incredulous at the discovery of a Mrs. Ben

Castle.
"In addition to being Mrs. Ben Castle," Abigail said, "I am in a bad humor and an atterney at law. I want the amount of last month's bill, a cross-section of the items ordered, and no nonsense."

ordered, and no nonsense."

"A lawyer, did you say?" the manager asked. "Do you practise in Caiffornia, Mrs. Castle?"

"That I do," Abigall replied.

"Hold the phone," the manager said. "Til get the stuff from the book-keeper."

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For slightly over a month's pur-chases the El Dorado Market's charges were in excess of six hun-dred dollars. There were staple and fancy groceries and a good deal of figuor, and such delicacies as smoked turkey and pate de foie gras.

"Everybody here should be much fotter than they are." Abigail com-

fatter than they are," Abigail com-mented. "Give me a sample of your

individual prices, will you?"

The manager complied sadly,
Abigail said, "What are your pack-ages wrapped in—gold foil? I
presume your clerks wear masks and carry blackjacks. Incidentally, I want to warn you that anything you say during this interview may be used

later in evidence against you."
"Oh, my goodness!" the manager

sand.

"Evidence has come into my possession," Abigail went on, "which
tends to substantiate a charge that
you are paying Mr. Castle's cook a
rake-off."

rake-off."
"Mrs. Castle," the manager said,
"I implore you not to get upset. I—
I scarcely know how to talk to you,
such is your attitude. We don't have
any other customers who are married to members of the bar.

"I am not upset," Abigail said, "but you had better tell me every-You'll feel better afterward,

"I admit," the manager said, "that "I admit," the manager said, "that it is customary with us to give generous purchasers a small percentage. The arrangement is not unusual and your cook may be making a dollar here and there. I'm positive it's not enough to be a matter of concern to a person of your means, Mrs. Castle."

"It's a matter of great concern to me," Ahigail told him, "I suggest you go carefully through your hills for the time Mr. Castle has been trading with you and see what you can do, since I hate to get involved in the bother and expense of engaging a certified public accountant."

"I'll do that immediately, Mes.

astle," the manager said. Abigail replaced the telephone in

Angair replaced the telephone in its cradle. It rang at once and she picked it up. "Hello." "Hello, yourself," a man said. "Is this Mrs. Harmony or Mrs. Forbes?" "This is Mrs. Ben Castle," Abi-gail said, "in person."

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"Ah," the man said. "Now we're getting somewhere. My name is Jake Harris, and I'm head of the publicity department for Apex-Allied Studios. That's where your old man vorks, in case he hasn't told you."
"Delighted to talk to you, Mr.

Harris," Abigail said,
"Call me Jake," Jake said, "The
pleasure is all mine. Listen, you've pleasure is all mine. Listen, you've already answered my question—the cowboy's married. A dame with the unlikely monicker of Mrs. Joe Baywater has planted a story in the Las Vegas newspapers about your muptials. We're being queried by the wire services and the local Press, and I'm holding everybody off until I can get my own pictures. Could I come over tight away?"

"Yes, you could, Jake," Abigail said. "Come any time. We'll open a keg of nails."

said. "Come any time, we'll open a keg of nails."

"Immediately," Jake said.

Abigail hung up. She walked back to the kitchen. Mrs. Forbes was engaged in twirling champagne into a small silver ice bucket.

"This is for his nibs' breakfast," she explained.
"He'll have to make out with

"He'll have to make out with water to-day," Abigail said. "I'm dis-continuing the serving of champague

"Mrs. Castle," the cook answered,
"I've been with the cowboy—"
"You've been with Mr. Castle,"

"I've been with Mr. Castle," Mrs. Twe been with air castle, since he came home from the war. You're new here, and I sin't; maybe you'd better keep that in mind."
"But I'm staying here," Abigail

said, "and you are not. You're fired. Mrs. Forbes. Pack your things and leave at once."

The cook stared at her, a stupid half-smile on her reddening face. "Don't look at me in that man-ner." Abigail said softly, "or I'll throw you out."

MRS. FORBES went into the kitchen, tore off her apron, and bolted for the front of the house.

and bolted for the front of the house. In a few minutes, Abigail followed her, moving slowly through the hall and up the stairs.

The master suite was open, and the cook was bent over the master, who lay at full length in his bed and glared stonily at the ceiling. At sight of Abigail, he sat up suddenly "Abby," he said severely, "I am in no mood for idle conversation. Mrs. Forhes informs me that you have had an unfriendly attitude from breakfast on."

from breakfast on?

"I have discovered," Abigail said,
"that your cook had grossly overordered at the El Dorado Market,
received a rake-off from that firm, and undoubtedly disposed of your excess goods at a profit to herself. The manager of the market has al-The manager of the market has ai-ready confessed this complicity to me. If she doesn't leave at once, I shall let the police eject her." "Well, hoddya like them applest" said Mrs. Forbes.

said Mrs. Forbes.

"Why am I singled out to suffer like this?" Ben aaid. "Abigail, I realise you are a lawyer."

"A lawyer?" Mrs. Forbes said, and whitened perceptibly.

"Mrs. Forbes is fired," Abigail said. "She will receive her pay in full up until this morning from your business manager in due time."

"She don't look like a lawyer to

business manager in due time."
"She don't look like a lawyer to
me," Mrs. Forbes said. "Mr. Castle,
are you going to stand for this?"
"Certainly not," Ben retorted.
"Mrs. Forbes," Abigail said, "how
soon you leave this room and this
house will determine to a great
extent whether or not I will go to
the city prosecutor and ask that a
criminal complaint be issued against
you. If you have any sense you! you. If you have any sense you'll run, not walk, to the nearest exit."

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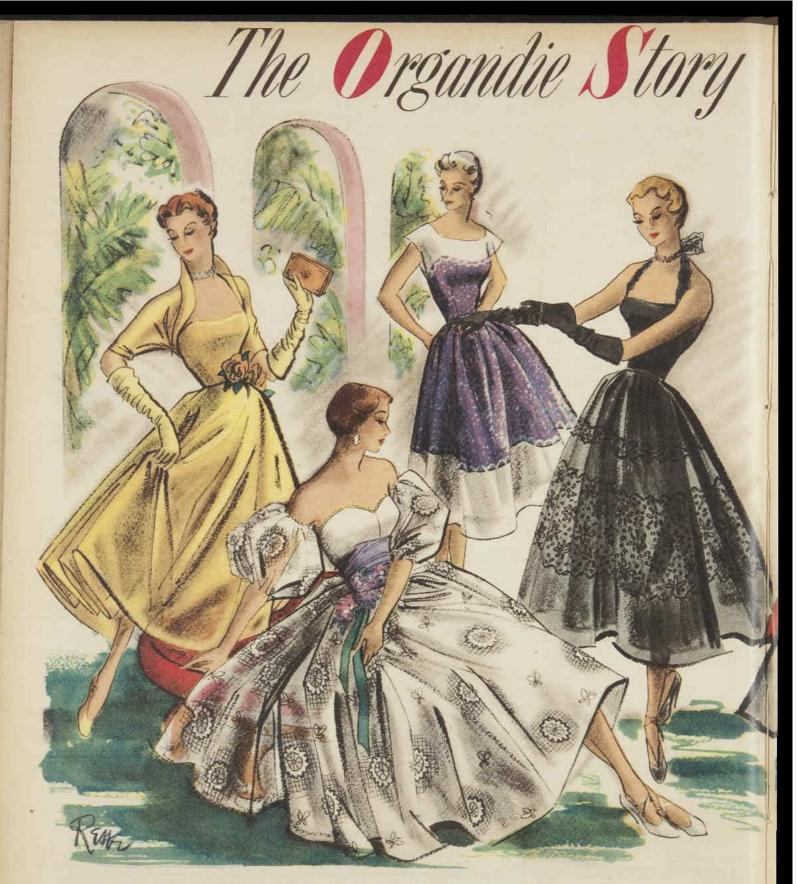


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Champagne-colored organdie is used for this strapless dress (above). Simply cut, it has a plain titled top, very full flaring double skirt, and the timest matching bolero jacket, which is little more than two sleeves and small upstanding collar. Two silk Talisman roses are pinned at waist.

This enchanting short party dress in Rohner Swiss embroidered organdie (above) has a full skirt, a plain, strapless bra-top, and removable balloon sleeves. A wide midriff swathe of hyacinth falle is caught at one side with a cluster of mauve and cyclamen hyacinths and violets.

From New York comes this simple, cool, and pretty little dress for informal wear in high summer (top centre). Made of delicate lilac voile with a white hailspot, it has a deep yoke and matching hemline border of crisp, white organdie. It is joined with organdie looping. Black organdie is news in black sheers, romantic and flattering. This bare-top dress has a full skirt with insets of black muslin broderie anglaise. A band of the broderie anglaise makes the halter, tied in a bow at the back of the neck. A lovely dress for coming holiday festivities.

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THE cook plodded out, shaking her head disgustedly. Abigail lit a cigarette and inhaled re-flectively. Ben eyed her mournfully. "I'm going to kill myself," he said. "Then you'll be sorry."

"Then you'll be sorry."

"A Jake Harris telephoned," Abigaif said. "The news of our marriage was in the Las Vegas paper,
and he wants to take pictures and do
a story for the people here. I expect
him soon, so you'd better clean up
and come down to breakfast immedistab."

"I'll never rise from this bed again," Ben said. "I'm going on a hunger strike. I won't be in any picture with you, and don't make the mistake of ever asking for my

autograph.

autograph. "Isn't it strange?" Abigail said. "You don't amuse me any more." She left, closing the door behind her, and want downstains. She called for Nacio, who dolefully materialised with a hunted look in his red eyes, and led Abigail to the game room. He said the house's entire liquot supply was on the shelves behind a bar that graced one end.

It was quite a lot of liquor. She found a large cabinet with a lock next to the ice-box, located a key, fastened it to the ring that held her automobile keys, and instructed Nacio to help her stow the refresh-

"Leave out a bottle of dry sherry,"
she said. "That will serve to supply
our needs for the next week or two."
"Oh?" Nacio said. "Yes, Miss

She was almost through when she heard a rapping on the bar and straightened up. It was Ben, freshly shaven, his hair combed, and clad in sweat shirt, shorts, and lattered slippers. He regarded her sombrely. "A golden fizz, please," he said. "Two eggs."

"Two eggs."
"Nacio, set the table for Mr. Castle on the terrace," Abigail said. "Have on the terrace," Alogail said, "Have Mrs. Harmony give him two eggs, bacon, toast, marmalade, coffree, and a tall glass of ice water. Hop on it, Nazio."

Ben leaned on the bar and watched silently as Abigail com-pleted her task and locked the door-"You forgot a bottle of sherry,

You lorgot a bottle of sherry, A.J.," Ben said.
"I left it out purposely," Abigail explained. "We'll have a glass every night before dinner. Now shall we go out on the terrace?"

Ben had just finished breakfast when Nacio announced, "Gentlemen here from studio."
"I'ld! them to go away." Ben said.

"Tell them to go away," Ben said.
"Bring them here," Abigail said.
"Yes, Miss Castle," Nacio replied,

ithout hesitation. Upon the terrace came a group Upon the terrace came a group of three men attired in checkered sport coats, slacks, and intricate suede shoes with crepe soles. The group was led by a small solid man with humorous eyes and an incipient bald spot.

"Enter Jake Harris, attended," Jake Harris said, "Good morning, their cowboy."

"It's just been spoiled by you, Jake," Ben said.

Jake," Ben said.
"Is that a glass of water I see your faithful old retainer removing?" Jake said. "What hath Mrs. Ben Castle wrought?"

He turned and took both of Abi-

And this is the lovely, unblushing bride, of course—our charming hostess May I present my associates, Mrs. Castle? This is Mr. Herb Gregg, one of my assistants in the great enterprise of disseminating false information to the public.

Gregg, a handsome, curly haired young man, smiled helpfully.
"The man loaded down with boxes and cameras," Jake added, "is Mr. Dinty Moore, a well-known harres over three." hocus-pocus type,

"What's new, darling?" Dinty
What's new, darling?" Dinty
More asked, without changing his
expression, which was one of perpetual despondency.

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"I'm going back to bed," Ben

aid, and got up.
"Ben, dear." Abigail said, and caused her voice to be sweet and soothing. "Please don't go. I'm much too confused and embarrassed to handle these gentlemen alone."

"You'll make out, darling," Ben

"Ben!" Abigail said.

Ben stopped with one foot in the air, put if down, wheeled and re-turned. The onlookers watched interestedly.

"Such a delightful couple," Jake declared. "Love marches on. What'll we do with them first?"

"Leave us shoot on the front lawn first," Dinty Moore said, in accents of unmitigated depression. "Put the equestrian in clothes. Let's go."

'How about Mrs. C.?" Gregg

"Darling," Dinty Moore said, "have you got a nice frilly dress or a sun-suit?"

"No, my wardrobe consists mostly of suits," Abigail told him. "The clothes she's got on are okay for her," Jake said. "She should look kind of neat—she's a lawyer."

should look kind or near lawyer,"

"Oh?" Dinty Moore said, and allowed his despondency to be permeated by incredulity.

"Run along, please, Ben," Gregg said "Better put on a working outfit."

"New Ren replied.

No" Ben replied.

"Ben-" Abigail said.
"Oh, very well," Ben said, and started off briskly.

Jake and Gregg eyed each other gravely, with widened eyelids. They walked to the lawn in front and stood waiting for Ben, who pre-sently appeared in a tall white cowboy hat, whipcord pants, a check-ered shirt and silk muffler, and short Texas boots,

ABIGAIL gave a start. "This is ridiculous," she said. "Ben isn't bound for a masquerade, is he?"

"Ben isn't bound for a masquerade, is he?"

"You don't understand," Jake said. "He's a cowboy, and they are supposed to dress that way in public. You wouldn't want him out of character, would you? It's silly, but it makes money for Allied-Apex, and it's a living for Billy the Kid, here."

"I always said he ought to have a ranch, "Gregg said. "The rest of the cowboys do. Mr. Birgin was saying the other day..."

"Don't give me that Mr. Birgin stuff," Ben said, "I hate horses and cattle, and I will never have a ranch. That's official, brother."

"Not unless Mrs. Castle wants one, hul?" Jake said.

"Why—uh—yes," Ben said. He glanced humbly at Abigail. "You don't want a ranch, do you, dear?"

"Not right away." Abigail said.
"Who is the Mr. Birgin you men-

tioned?"
"Let us all remove our hats, gentlemen," Jake said. "We will now face toward the San Fernando Valley and drop to our knees. The Mr. Birgin referred to is Mr. Otto Francis Birgin, president of Allied-Apex Studios. He is the Genghis Khan of the B pictures, the Caseliostro of serials, the overlord of quickies, and the grand high lama of Westerns. In addition, he is your husband's boss." husband's boss.

must see him one day," Abigail said.

"You will be dazzled by his radi-ance," Jake said.
"Could we lay off the tea-party,"
Dinty Moore asked, "and spoil a
little film? Let's get them arm in
arm and take the usual shot of them
walking toward the camera." walking toward the camera

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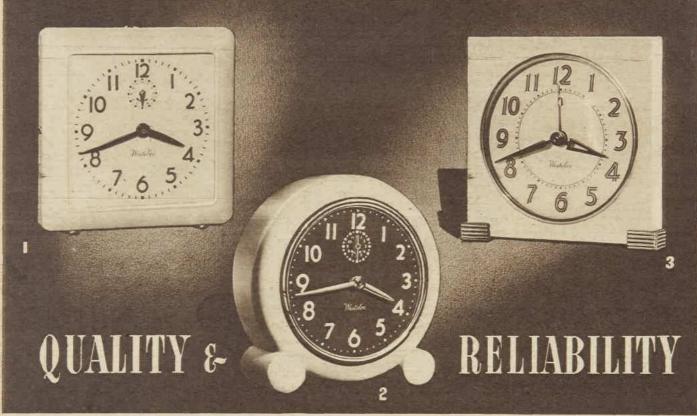
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21 to April 20): You should have opportunities this to mould

your future on a much firmer and more solid basis than formerly. Concentrate on No-vember 23 to 27 for the best results

TAURUS (April 21 to May 21): A good week to solidify your in-come, assets, and financial affairs generally. Make the most of all opportunities. Fortune favors you for the next few days.

GEMINI (May 22 to June 21):
Marriage, personal, and business relationships could result in mutual gain this week, with progressive aspects between November 23 and 27.
Adverse for business and finance on

November 22

CANCER (June 22 to July 23):
Your work and business interests promise some recognition this week, with the possibility of some new opening or business deals. Many employed may receive an increase in salary.

LEO (July 24 to August 23): This week should bring many happy and Printed and published by Consolidated Press Limited, 168-174 Chatlereagh Street, Sydney.

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satisfying days, although you may encounter some obstacles on Novem-ber 22 if you let impulse or over-enthusiasm mislead you. Progres-sive from Thursday.

VIRGO (August 24 to Septem-VIRGO (August 24 to September 23): Some gain and advantages in home affairs are pending this week. Thursday and next Monday for luck concerning property, housing, removals, travel, or relatives' affairs.

LIBRA (September 24 to October 23): November 23 starts a good week to entertain and extend your point circles strengthen your close

social circle, strengthen your close contacts, and visit relatives, although November 22 is an adverse day for financial affairs.

SCORPIO (October 24 to November 22): Use care in personal affairs on Wednesday, but go ahead with all financial plans from November 23. You start a lucky cycle to do with monetary affairs.

SAGITTARIUS November 23 to December 22): November 23 to 27 are excellent

days for renewed energy and drive, although Novem-ber 22 needs a little care. You are likely to over-estimate or be de-ceived during this day.

CAPRICORN (December 23 to January 20): Use this week for all matters needing perseverance and sustained effort. However, don't exert your personality too strongly, you gain more by moving quietly and unseen.

and inseen.

AQUARIUS (January 21 to February 19): A rather progressive five days from November 23, especially for frieudships, love ties, and important contacts. A good week also for your hopes and wishes.

PISCES (February 20 to March 20): This week starts a cycle of new

20): This week starts a cycle of new plans and ambitions, with November 23 and 27 your outstanding days. Career and business affairs should speed ahead if you grasp oppor-

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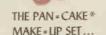


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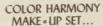
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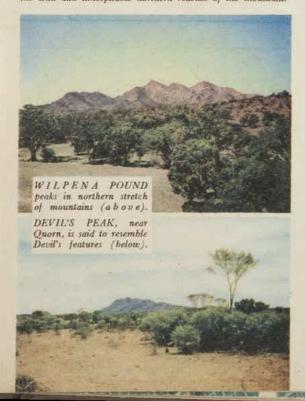
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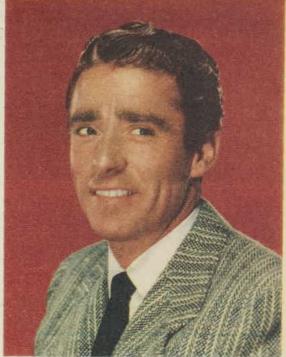
THE screenplay, written by Harry Kleiner, is of historical origin. The leading character is a gentleman outlaw, and the role is earmarked for Peter Lawford.

Other stars, Maureen O'Hara, Richard Boone, and Finlay Currie, have been brought from America and England by Fox Films. Australia's Chips Rafferty plays the part of State Trooper Leo Leonard.

Aboriginal men, women, and children taking part in the action are from Ooldea Mission.

Directed by Lewis Milestone, production is in the hands of Robert Bassler. Camera work is by Charles Clarke. The film is to cost about £890,000.

Location work is progressing on a 7000-acre property on the slopes of the Flinders Range where the scenes shown at the left were photographed.



BRITISH Hollywood actor Peter Lawford has accepted the title role in "Kangaroo," Dublin-born actress Maureen O'Hara (below) plays a spirited country girl in the adventure.





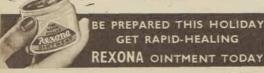
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TROUBLE begins when Joe Hufford (Glenn Ford) accidentally kills son of politician. Despite aid of District Attorney George Knowland (Broderick Crawford), sentence is five years.



2 PLAN for prison-break made by Malloby (Millard Mitchell) appeals to frustrated Joe when, after two years, his deserved parole refused because of dead boy's family.

CONVICTED ...



SOLITARY stretch faces Joe who hits a guard in anger upon hearing of his father's death. Gaolbreak attempt fails.

THE tension and violence of men in captivity lend power to a strong action movie in Columbia's "Convicted."

Authentic prison scenes were obtained by filming backgrounds in San Quentin, California's largest prison.

Responsibility for sustaining this atmosphere falls upon the male cast portraying inmates of the institution.

The film affords another good opportunity for Broderick Crawford, Academy Award winner of "All the King's Men." He is again emposited in politics, on this occasion as a fair-minded District Attorney, who is disliked by conniving politicians.



FRIENDLY George Knowland becomes new warden, gives Joe job driving daughter (Dorothy Malone).



INFORMING is frowned upon by Warden Knowland who discovers stool-pigeon Ponti (Frank Faylen) disclosed prison-break to guard captain Douglas (Carl Benton Reid) in exchange for parole.



6 GRIM vengeance is exacted by Malloby when he catches Ponti and stabs him. An innocent witness of the crime, Joe refuses to give information to the authorities.



7 CONFINED to cell as a suspect, Joe is joined by scheming Malloby. When hated guard Douglas comes to cell to antagonise Joe into admission, Malloby springs at him, shouting his guilt and shooting wildly.



HAPPINESS awaits Joe when, vindicated by Malloby's admission, he is given parole. He and Kay tell George that they are in love and receive his blessing.

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CHILD STAR GROWS UP

From LEE CARROLL in Hollywood



THE NEW MARGARET O'BRIEN and her tiny for terrier Spotty in her Beverly Hills apartment trying on bonnets which the young actress created in her spare time between Broadway and films.

Margaret O'Brien is growing up. Her mother, the movie studios, and even her publicity man are admitting it.

January she will NEXT January she will reach the ripe old age of 14 years.

Mrs. Gladys O'Brien, Margie's mother and impresario, has con-trolled Margie's development with a skill that is good for business, al-though it may not be so good for the

By artificially extending Margie's By artificially extending margies childhood (she was born on January 15, 1937), keeping her in little girl's clothes, and even encouraging a little-girl mentality, she managed to extend Margie's usefulness as a child actress until the time when she entered what is known as the subward age. awkward age.

Now by swiftly capitalising on Margie's tecnage appearance, dressing her in a more sophisticated fashion, and permitting her to use a youthful lipstick, Mrs. O'Brien has managed to by-pass the awkward period altogether.

Visitors to the Academy Award presentation ceremony in March, 1951, will probably rub their eyes and ask if the young lady whose face they recognise is the same Margie



SWINGING into a brisk Charleston, Margaret O'Brien looks surprisingly grown-up. She plays a teenage girl for the first time in her new film, "The Romantic Age," and wears a special wardrobe.

O'Brien who, at the previous ceremony, wore a white dress that barely covered her knees, long stockings, a child's shoes, and pigtails.

For a while Hollywood had asked itself if Margaret O'Brien was through washed-up both as a child star and an actress—like so many talented youngsters who preceded

A new picture, Columbia's "The Romantic Age," brought her back before the cameras after a retire-ment that was one of the shortest on record. In it Margaret plays for the first time what she really is— a teenage girl.

Most anxious to look right in the part, between scenes Margie could be found paying particular attention to her make-up and wardrobe, some-thing new in the O'Brien tradition.

On the financial side it seems that Margaret O'Brien's future is assured. Margaret O brien s toute a daughter Mrs. O'Brien expects her daughter to be worth a million dollars in accrued cash and investments by the time she reaches 18 years of age.

The £20,000-odd she earns for a film is a drop in the bucket compared with her other sources of in-

come, including the money she carns for guest appearances on television and radio programmes.

Her income from endorsements-there are O'Brien dolls, toys, drinking-glasses, dresses, shoes, and other items—totals a fine round figure.

There are also Margaret O'Brien dishes, from which the young lady refuses to eat, in spite of the fact that she gets them free.

"Who wants to eat everything off the plate and find your own face or name staring up at you?" she asks. And that's not all. There is the

income from apartment buildings, royalties on sale of scripture and story readings on phonograph records, and so on.

At the moment the problems of finance and career are only secondary to young Margaret, who would sometimes rather forget the whole business to concentrate on (1) swim-ming at the Beverly Hills pool of a friend; (2) painting and working with embossed bronze; (3) getting an archery set; and (4) getting a driver's licence so that she, instead of mother, can drive one of the family's two big cars.



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POLLOWING that, Abigail and Ben were photographed in vari ous poses around the grounds, standing and sitting, laughingly embrac-

Then Jake asked, "Do you have bathing suit, honey?

"Yes, I have," Abigail said.
"Slip into it," Jake said. "We'll wind up on that. Ben, you can keep on your same clothes."

"I'd rather not, if you don't mind, Jake," Abigail said. "I rarely ever wear a bathing suit, and I don't like appearing in public in it, let alone being photographed."

"Darling, you must stifle your in-structs on the after of publicity," Jake said. "Think of Ben's mony devoted fans. They'll want to see what their hero has got. A blue what their hero has got. A blue suit is simply another blue suit, but a bathing suit is democracy in action —it's freedom of the Press."

"Motion denied," Abigail said. "Speak to ber, cowboy," Jake said.
Ben looked at her, and his smile was sardonic,

was sardonic.
"Abigail," he said.
"As you wish, Ben," Abigail said demurely. She was afraid she was beginning to blush. "If you approve there's nothing I can do but

She went and changed into her seldom-worn bathing costume and came back feeling very self-con-scious. However, the men's eyebrows

lifted at the sight of her.
Then Jake jumped up "Forward, men. On to the swimming

They circled the house. Dinty Moore had Ben sit in a canvas chair at the edge of the swimming pool. He placed Ahigail at Ben's

hands and elevated her knees. His careful, polite fingers arranged her bair. He said. "Arch your throat, darling, and give the cowboy a big smile. Get your feet up on their

smile. Get your teet up on au-toes and tighten your leg muscles." Ben and Abigail smiled at each other. The sun sparkled on the water. Dinty Moore exposed two

"It makes you want to get mar-ied," Gregg said.
"It does, doesn't it?" Ben said.
He continued to gaze deep into He continued to gaze deep into Abigail's eyes, the smile remaining on his lips. Dinty shot more pictures. Then he took Abigail by herself, enteouraging her, "That's right, darling. A hig amile, like you'd give the cowboy."

"Okay," Jake said. "Break it up. The honeymoun has been recorded for materia." Thanks a million you.

The honeymoon has been recorded for posterity. Thanks a million, you charming people." "We'll go to the house while you're changing. A.J.," Ben said. "Could I give our guests a glass of sherry?" "By all means," Abigail said.
"I want a Martini," Dinty Moore

"Mc, too," Gregg said.
"We, don't have anything but sherry," Ben told them gravely.
The others took it very well. They amiled and nodded and pretended

amiled and hooded and pretenueu not to be dumbfounded.

The men drifted off. Abigail lingered near the pool.

When she returned to the house she found Ben in the library, smok-

she found Ben in the library, smoking pensively.

"The captains and the kings have departed," he said. "They didn't seem to want any sherry. They said to give you their kindest regards." "That's very nice of them," Abigail replied. "I have an errand in Beverly Hills, Ben. Can you behave yourself while I'm gone?" "On one bottle of sherry?" Ben said bitterly. "What else can I do but behave?" Abigail turned to go upstairs. Her feet tangled on a corner of the rug, and she fell flat. Ben came over and lifted her.
"You must have picked the wrong

"You must have picked the wrong path," he commented.

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He was bolding her in his arms and she experienced a dreadful de sire to kiss him. Her emotions mus have shown through her face, for he released her, grinning faintly, and tetreated a step. She felt the acid of tears beneath her cyclids.

"You'd better try to be a good girl too, Abby," he said.

"Cowboy," Abigail said, "you are going to live to regret that remark. He laughed and went upstairs.

In Beverly Hills, Abigail went to Mr. Graves' office. She told him, "I want everything you have in the way of documentation on Ben. I'll inspect it at my leisure in my own

"Well," Mr. Graves said, "I don' know about that, Mrs. Castle. Do you have an authorisation from Mr. Castle?"

"Perhaps I'd better explain. We're un living together. The marriage is not off."

"That makes me very happy "Happy," Abigail said, plainly not surprised."

Mr. Graves smiled slyly, gathered from our interview y day you weren't prepared to let your husband have his just deserts. But I have to observe the formalities. Would you mind my ringing Mr. Castle first?"

"No, indeed," Abigail said.
"No, indeed," Abigail said.
Mr. Graves dialled Ben's number.
Iello," he said. "This is E. G.
raves, Mr. Castle's business Graves, Mr. Castle's business manager. May I speak to him?" He listened intently, eyebrows elevating. "He is not allowed to receive calls, you say? Is this Nacio? On whose orders? Mrs. Castle? I see."

He replaced the phone and audied Abigail. His tired eyes were infused with respect. "At last you look surprised," she

"I am," Mr. Graves replied. "I'll get the records for you, Mrs. Castle."

A GIRL in an adroom opened a fireproof vault. Ben's papers were many and various, and Mr. Graves helped Abi gail carry them to her office

The investigation did not take as long as Abigail anticipated. Ben's affairs, though fairly diverse, wer well in order and fully documented He owed money right and left, but this could easily be taken care of from the seventy-five thousand he

from the seventy-five thousand he received every year by making three Western pictures for Allied-Apex. Only the gambling debt owed to Harry Kallen was stunning. And then she made an astounding discovery. A moment later she was in Mr. Graves' office.

"Listen" she said, holding out a passbook, "if this is real, I owe a deep how and a profound apology." With her other hand she exhibited a bundle of stock certificates held by a rubber band. "And if these are real, I ought to ask to kiss your real, I ought to ask to kiss your

I figure Ben has sixty-six thou and dollars in cash and blue-chip securities that he doesn't know any-thing about," Mr. Graves said. "Does that agree with your addition, Mrs.

"Yes, it does, my good man," Abi-gail replied. "And those last words

gain replied. "And those last words are spoken from the heart."
"Thank you," Mr. Graves said. "I realised early in our association what kind of man the cowboy was, and I resolved to try to save him from himself. Trying to lay by a bit for him involved presenting false extensive and statements and concealing assets-which I'm afraid is very unethical

But it was in a good cause."
"That it was, dear Mr. Graves,"
Abigail said heartily.

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MARCUS ADONIAS, young son of Roman Commandant VALERIUS GRATUS and his Jewish favorite MICOL, is exiled from Rome to Judaea because of his love affeir with VARILIA, youthful wife of his elderly relative, VALERIUS MESSALA.

Because of his youth, however, Marcus is to be given the chance to redeem himself. Arriving in Jerusalem with MEGACLES, his tutor, and SIMON, his faithful Hebrew slave, he presents himself to the Roman Governor, PONTIUS PILATUS, who appoints him a cavalry commander, to serve under the Garrison Commander, SISENNIUS PANSA.

His special assignment is to pairol the caravan routes, endeavoring a exterminate a troop of fanatical hill handits and their leader,

Pilatus then takes Marcus up to the tower of the residence to meet GLAUDLA, his wife, who is weatching the teening crowds of Jews in the square below, who have flacked to Jermalem for the celebration of the Passover.

Greeting Marcus, Claudia tells him privately, "I have had a letter about you from Vasilia."

Nato read on:

LAUDIA was a graceful sittle person, gentle and serious-looking. Over the pale raspherry - colored anen tunic she was wearinen tunic she was wearing a white mantle, embroidered with palm-leaves in silver
thread. Her only ornament was the
circlet of golden civadas, like Varlia's, on her dark hair, which was
parted in the centre over the forebead and fell in two smooth bands.

There had been much gossip about her in Rome; but now in Palestine she lived a lonely life devoted entirely to mysticism and meditation. Shocked by the harshoess with which her husband treated the Jews she did all she could to restrain the

When Marcus raw that Claudia was wearing the symbol of initiation he felt at once that he had found a friend and an inexpected ally in that foreign and hostile country. Her first words had confirmed this feeling.

(I shall write to Varilla to

firmed this feeling.
"I shall write to Varilla to-morrow," she went on, "and tell her
about you. She loves you dearly,
Marcus, and is saffering because of
your absence."
"I love her, too, Claudfu, and I
hope that your husband, once I have
faithfully carried out his orders, will
be able to obtain a pardon for me
from the Emperor, and permission
to return to rejoin her."

But your exercustry's attention was

But now exertome's attention was focused on what was happening below in the temple. From the immense courtyards rose a deafening clamor of shouts that mingled with the bleating of the sacrificial lambs. Then a clash of cymbals gave the signal for the ceremony to begin.

Neither Pontius Pilatus nor Pansa remained for long to witness the per-formance of the rites, which Pilatus dubbed hestial, so Claudia and Mar-cus were soon left alone. "Claudia," asked Marcus, "you are

an initiate, are you not?"
"Yes, Marcus! I, too, am an in-itiate, but since I have been in this THE AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S WHERLY - November 25, 1950

country I have the feeling it is not in Rome that the divine Dionyun will appear. It is here that the Lord of Joy will be born,"

Her eyes had lit. Watching her, Marcus felt as though she was inspited as she went on talking. "Do you know, Marcus," she said, "that a prophet called the Baptist, who haunts the banks of the Jordan, who haunts the banks of the Jordan, has for a year or more been announcing the imminence of his coming? 'The Kingdom of God is at hand, purify yourselves!'—that is what he cries! I am terrified at the idea of our Age coming to an end, and I feel that great events are nigh."

She turned away with a shudder, gathered her woollen cloak closely around her, for the night air already struck cold, and followed by Marcus left the terrace.

Once the Feast of Unleavened Once the Feast of Unleavened Bread was over, the pilgrims, after sunset on the Sabbath, began to dis-perse on their homeward journeys. Many, however, first paid a visit to the Jordan Valley to see the Bap-tist whose preaching had provided the chief sensation of that year's Passover.

Passover.
Pilatus mode ready to return to Caesarea-on-Sea with the reinforcements he had brought with him. But before leaving Jerusalem he conducted the investiture of Marcus Adonias with the toga virilis.

It was a purely military ceremony at the Antonia Tower, attended by a group of officers and the garrison commander, Pansa. The one note of elegance was provided by the presence of Claudia, who herself presented the toga.

presence of Claudia, who herself presented the toga.

Then, as Marcus by assuming the ruga virilis became entitled to pos-session of the large sum of money deposited in his name by his father

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"Miriam, don't you know me. Marcus cried, starting forward as the woman surveyed him in some surprise.

with the banker Saramalla, Pilatus ordered that the old Sadducee be sammoned to the Antonia Tower on the afternoon of that same day.

Saramalla was an accommodating sort of man, broadminded in matters of religion. So he visited Gentiles and received visits from them with-out any scruples on the score of

He arrived in a litter, like a Rosman noble, and was at once shown in. He was a tall, bony old man, with beady black eyes, deep-set under heavy brows.

He bowed low to Pilatns, who in-troduced Marcus, explaining why he had summoned the banker.

For a while they discussed details of Marcus' inheritance. When all the husiness was settled, Pilatus decided to take the opportunity of Saramalla's presence to see if he could make use of the old man in connection with another matter, the proposed action against Eleasar's armed band of brigands.

"Listen, Saramalla." he said.

band of brigands.

"Listen, Saramalla," he said,
"young Marcus Valerius Gratus has
been allotted the task of destroying
Elearar's band, who, as you are
aware, are a menace to all the roads
between Judaea and Gailites. Have
you any information you can give
me that might facilitate that work?"

Saramalla saw the trap at once. He arched his eyebrows and his little eyes took on a humble expression,

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SARAMALLA'S voice was humble, too, as, avoiding Pilatus' question, he proceeded to answer, 'Str, it is not for me to ex-press any opinion as regards the orders of the Roman authorities. I have always found them just. This one is more than just, it is providential! It will make the caravan routes free and safe!

"Of course it will," remarked Pilatus ironically, "but it will not help you in any way. I have noticed that your carayana are never molested. How do you explain that?" Without the slightest hesitation Saramalla answered, "It's because they are afraid of me, sir!"

"Glevert" retorted Pilatus, "but scarcely convincing! On the other hand, it has been reported to me that your subsidise these people on behalf of the Zealots."

"Sir, those who teld you that story "Sir, those who teld you that story insulted your intelligence. A business man like me, with so many in tenests, to subaidiae robbers! Can you think it possible? I who for thirty, years have been the most faithful servant of the Romans? If I can be of use in any way, you have but to give me orders."

"I shall take you at your word," said Pilatus. "I will give you an official mission. Since you say that Elearar is afraid of you, a presume he will also be prepared to listen to you. Get into communication with him—advise him to disband his following and give himself up.

"I give you my word as a Roman that I shall spare him the cross. If he does not agree, tell him that the son of Valerius Gratus has been colored." ordered to exterminate him and his whole band, and that operations will begin with the new moon."

"Sir," said Saramalla, "I have no relations with Eleazar or any of his men. If he fears me it is because his men. If he fears me it is because he knows I sam under your protection. But, since you require it of me, I shall do my best to get your orders conveye. It o him by one of my own servants, and I shall add my own recommendations. If I receive any reply I shall let you know, May the Most High-guard and keep you, O son of Eternal Rome!"

He bewed low, and left the room.

As he weat, he said to himself:
"My Lord God, how subtle are Thy
designs! The son of Gratus little
knows who is serving in that band.
When he finds out, what a shock it
will he for him!"

Pilatus, alone with Panya and Moreus, was giving them his final in-structions. "A wily old fox, that Saramalla! The truth is that Eleazar has his own informers here in the city, chief men in the sect of the Zealots. Saramalla pays over his subsidies in that roundabout way. You'll have to keep your eyes open,

Then, turning to Marcus Adonias. he went on: "Remember that you are the son of Valerius Gratus and that you represent here not only a name standing high in that Roman nobility but also the majesty of Rome and the honor of her armies.

"Now, my boy, you know what you have to do. From to-day, under Pansa's orders, you take command of the cavalry. I have made its strength up to three hundred all ranks. They are all good fighters. With them you have to keep order on the caravan routes. In particular you have to root out Elearar's crew and exterminate them.

'If you happen to get hold of that famous Jewish amazon who is said to be with them, send her to me at Caesarea and Pil have her crucified there in front of the port.

For a moment a heavy scowl dis-torted Pilatus' face. Then he con-tinued his instructions:

"The brigands of Eleazar have their headquarters, as I mentioned before, at Arbela, in a difficult bit of mountainous country near the lake of Tiberias. You can begin toContinued from page 57

morrow. Take thirty men or so, go down as far as Bethabara on the Jordan and from there push a point up into the hills north of the Dead

'At Bethabara you'll find a wild-"At Bethabara you'll find a wild-looking sort of hermit who preaches to the shepherds and pilgrims and subjects them to a kind of initiation, dipping them in the river. That's why they call him the Bapitst. Among his followers are a number of Zealots, and these will lose no time in warning Eleazar that the music is about to strike up!

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"Be sure to take Tricongius with you, be's a most useful man. The rest we have already sottled. You will report direct to Pansa, he knows what I want done, and I'm sure you will get on well together. So now, my sons, get to work! Salvete, and may Mars aid you!"

NEXT morning Marcus with his troup, lances at the rest, passed through the Gate of the Fishes and set off at a brisk trot for the valley of the Jordan. They numbered about thirty, Marcus in front, with Tricongius half a borse's length behind him. Behind hem seam was borne the avandard. them again was borne the standard, silver hand, shining in the sun,

It was a stiffing hot morning, with a few heavy cloudmasses whose edges were aflame with light.

Leaving the Mount of Olives on its left the troop turned south on to a track that fell steeply, as though into an abyss, between perpen-dicular walls of rock.

Marcus Adonias, meantime, was feeling very pleased with himself. For him, who despite his toga virilis was still a mere stripting, it seemed searcely believable that he should find himself there at the head of a troop of cavalry, entrusted with a command and with a mission, show-ing himself off to this subject people and backed by all the emblems that asserted the authority of Rome.

Pilatus' words kept recurring to him like an exalting admonition. Then again, his own happiness, his own future, and Varilia's also,

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might depend on his successful con-duct of the operation. To that he must bend all his energies. After six hours spent in negotiat-ing that stony track the descent he-cane less useen they were narrow.

came less steep; they were nearing the Jordan and the air seemed cooler because of the great reed-bods that border the stream.

On reaching its banks they fol-lowed its course northwards until on the following morning, after cross-ing a wide belt of land thickly cov-ered with tamarisk and turpentine-trees, they arrived at a bare open

space.
"There's Bethabara!" said Tricongius, pointing to a group of huts huddled together on the river bank.
The stream itself was pale milk-and-water in color, and the desolation of the scene could scarcely be matched in any other part of the world.

world.

When Marcus' men emerged at the trot and in a cloud of dust from the thickets, they heard a harsh excited voice cry out: "Woe be unto you, race of vipers! Already the axe is laid to the root of the tree, and every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit shall be hewn down and cast into the fire!"

The soile was that of a youngish

The voice was that of a youngish man of perhaps a little more than thirty years of age, but hairy all over and with an enormous head crowned by a tawny mane.

by a tawny mane.

Above his waist he wore no clothing, only a leather strap over one shoulder from which hung a kind of loincloth of camel-skin that covered him from his belly to his knees.

In his emaciated face his eyes shone like burning coals. Before him a group of naked pilgrims, just out of the water, each by his little heap of clothes, stood gazing at him in affright.

Another group of travellers, be-longing to a caravan that had halted near the huts of Bethabara, stood leaning on their sticks, watching to see what might happen.

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MARCUS reined up short, and Tricongins did the same, raising his lance as the signal to halt.

"See, sir!" he said, "that wild sort "See, sirl" be said, "that wild sort of a man over there is John, called the Baptist because he dips his followers in the river to purify them whilst waiting for the Messiah to appear. This Messiah is supposed to be a son of David and a great warrior, who will be able to overthrow Rome."

He laughed scornfully, "What do you think of that?"

Marcus did not answer. His at-tention had been diverted to another figure that had come out of the clump of tamarisks. He was one of the common people, young, of medium height, and he carried a long stick of olive-wood, like a shepherd.

He wore a linen tunic, of the kind they weave on the loom in Palestine, without seams, and over his arm he carried a clook of rough blue woolfen material. Under the fluttering white kefter his long curty hair, of a dark hazel color, fell below his shoulders, framing a long oval face with fine features and a small fair heard.

He passed in front of the troop and it was as though a gust of wind preceded him; then, looking up at Marcus he stared at him so fixedly that the young man felt almost alarmed. Where could it have been that he had seen that face and that expression before?

The unknown man seemed to wish to speak to him. Marcus, for his part, was about to call out to him, but his borse, as if he had nighted something that frightened him, made a bound, started to rear, and then fell back shivering.

fell back snivering.

Marcus had some difficulty in keeping his seat, and was sorry to see the newcomer walk away towards the river. He would have liked to ques-

Never had he been so stirred on meeting anyone for the first time as he was now by the aspect of this young laboring man who, despite his modest clothing and his dusty san-dals, had all the air of a prince in exile. Most disturbing of all was the conviction that he had recognised the man's face, or rather, perhaps, his

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It was a strange expression, in which the greatest gentleness blended with deep sorrow.

Then in a flash he remembered his dream in Livia's villa, and the young God crowned with purple foliage. He, too, had seemed to reflect in his handsome but sad countenance all the pains and griefs of the world. He remembered also that according to the old myth it was in this desert that Dionysus had lost his way.

As he watched the unknown man he thought with a shudder of the God of the divine Paronsia.

Meantime the stranger had ap-proached John and had saluted him. "Peace be with you, brother! Do you not recognise me?"

John's face, usually glum and forbidding, changed at once to an expression of aurprised timidity. No pilgrim had ever before confronted him with a look so compelling and so self-assured, the look of one exceptioned to be a self-assured, the look of one exceptioned to be a self-assured.

pening and so sett-assored, the look of one accustomed to command. "Brother," he said, "I cannot re-call having ever met you. Tell ine, who are you, and what do you want?"

"Do you not know why I have come to you?"

"No. . . I do not know?" an-swered John, more than ever over-awed by the stranger's eyes.

"Have you not read Daniel?"

"I have read him . . .

"And do you not know that the Son of Man, when he first appeared to the prophet, put to him the same question that I have just put to

John's sun-tanned bearded face

John's sun-tained bearded face turned deadly pale.

"My Lord," he said in dismay, "if you are the Son of Man, why come you to me? . . . Do you rather baptise me with the fire of the Spirit, and not strike this terror to my heart!"

The other only smiled.

The other only smiled.

"Let all be accomplished as it is written!" he said. "It is for you now to baptise the Son of Man, before he reveals Himself. He Who has taken on Himself all the sius of mankind shall Himself make confession, that all may be cleansed!"

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Sitting down in the sand he un-strapped his sandals, laid his kefiet and his clothing by the side of his stick, and with his arms crossed on his breast walked into the water, fol-

The sky had suddenly darkened, and above there hung an oppressive stormy atmosphere.

The two figures waded on until the water rose to their breasts. Then John laid his hands on the shoulders of the neophyte and dipped him be-low the surface. A moment later the head emerged, and the stranger,

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raising his dripping face and arms, began to pray aloud.
"Father! Great and terrible God, Who are ever mindful of Thy promise and art ever benevolent towards them that love Thee—Father in Heaven, we have sinted..."

Suddenly a tremendous clap of thunder tent the air and the entire cup-like valley seemed to rock with

the echoing roar from the surround-

Through a rent in the clouds a bright ray of sunlight fell on the water where John and the new initiate were 'anding. A great flight of pigeons, rising from the reeds, circled before whirring overhead in the direction of Jerusalem.

The troop of savalry was for several minutes thrown into confusion, the terrified horses threatening to stampede back to the shelter of the tamarisks, as though they had scented some dangerous wild animal

The men had much difficulty in keeping their mounts under control, while the thunder continued to reverberate and the strange beam of light falling on the darkling stream invested the scene with an aspect of magic and unreality.

Inage: and unreality.

John was gazing with awe at the neophyte, from whose dripping face and hair the inense illumination was reflected as though from a mirror. Marcus, standing in his stirrups, watched them with the feeling that he was wimessing one of those rare events in which the Gods, manifesting themselves by means of natural phenomena, descend to play a part in the affairs of men.

Having feithed his water, the

Having finished his prayer, the concluding words of which were lost in the pealing echoes of the thun-der, the initiate made his way to the bank, dried himself quickly, and bank, dried himse donned his clothes.

Then he exchanged a few words with the Baptist, laid his hand on his shoulder, and set off alone towards a line of sand dunes that stood out gaunt and arid against the reddening

"Follow him!" shouted Marcus, urging on his own herse. But after a few strides the animal stopped dead, reared up, and refused to go

There was a sudden violent gust of wind and in a whirl of sand there appeared the silhouette of another man, standing on the highest point of the dune towards which the young initiate was walking. He looked like a Sabaean herdsman, dark, tall, and angular of figure.

fivid cloud, the Sa scemed magnified the Sabacan's outline sgnified out of all On his head he wore a proportion. On his head he wore a red kehet, and his dark cloak, caught by the gusts, was flapping like a pair of great wings. Obviously he was waiting for the young man who was now mounting the slope of the dune. In fact, as the latter neared the top he went forward to meet him.

he went forward to meet him.

For a few moments the two figures, one white and luminous, the other black and sinister, stood in conversation, conspicuous on the sky-line and thrown into relief by the distant flashes of lightning. Then the howl of the wind rose to a shrick. A violent squall and a scurry of and swept the dune.

A moment later the two men had

A moment later the two men had disappeared.

disappeared.

"Forward!" shouted Marcus. "Forward! Follow those two men!" He had an irresistible desire to meet and question the unknown neophyte.

Starting at a gallop, this time the horses made no difficulty, it was only a matter of seconds before they reached the erest of the dane. But there was no trace of the two men. There was nothing save the wide expanse of cinder-colored desert sprinkled with large stones and black pebbles, as if hurled there in past ages from some volcano.

It was now past midday. The worst

It was now past midday. The worst of the thunderstorm was passing away to the south, but the fierce desert wind was still blowing hard and driving before it clouds of sand

and dust. The few inhabitants of Bethabara had retired into their huts and remained there, alarmed by the arrival of Marcha and his followers there was no sign. Interrogated by Triconnius, the leader of the caravan declared his determination to proceed no farther until the weather cleared. After consultation with Tricongius, Marcua decided to do likewise. It would not be prudent to start on the

would not be prudent to start on the long difficult return journey with tired horses and in such conditions.

The troopers, experienced and hardened campaigners, very quickly had everything arranged, with picket-lines and shelters set up for a night's

camp.
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RESENTLY a foraging party obtained some pigcons and a few emaciated fowls from the and a rew emacated towls from the villagers to supplement the rations carried on the pack animals, and very aoon these were in the pots bubbling over a little field-oven constructed in a sheltered hollow.

Constructed in a sheltered hollow.

The night was uneventful and by morning the wind had dropped. About the ninth hour Marcus at the head of his troop set out on the return journey and on the following day rode again into Jerusalem.

After dismissing his troop on the parade-ground of the Antonia Tower he proceeded to Pansa's quarters to make his report.

make his report.

"So, then, you saw the famous Baptist?" remarked his superior.

"Yes, I saw him, and, what is more, I was lucky enough to witness.

his baptism of a new initiate. Truly, a strange country and strange people." replied Marcus.

people!" replied Marcos.
"My dear fellow, fanaticism is a
normal and natural condition here. At first it used to impress me to a certain extent . . . now I pay no more attention to it, or them. What

I am interested in is the women."

He added with a laugh, "Talking of that, after dinner I'll take you to call on one of our lovellest women, Miriam of Magdala. In her you will find a courtesan who, if she were in Rome, would put Lollia in the shade!"

The casual mention of these names that had been linked to closely with that had been linked to closely with his own destines plucked at Marcus' heartsteings. The image of Varilla rose before him. Where was she at that moment? What was she doing? He reproached himself bitterly for

having given so little thought to her during these last days of new and strange experiences. He would have liked to be alone, so that he might write her a long letter.

On the other hand, he was haunted by the face of that young initiate of the Baptist's, who had disappeared so mysteriously in the desert . . .

But Pansa was so cheery and was such a good companion that Marcus could not but listen to him with real

During dinner, they talked about Rome, about Tiberius, and about the recent rioting following on the fiasco

of the Emperor's failure to return to the Urbs.

Then Pansa said half jestingly, half seriously: "Now tell me which of the Roman beauties was it that hit you so hard, at your age?" Of course, my boy, I know you were sent here because of some trouble over a love-affair."

With the ingenuous innocence that was natural to him, Marcus felt a keen desire to confide in someone. seen desire to confide in someone.
His face it up with suppressed emo-tions like a terch. "Yes! That is true," he said, "I love a woman with all my heart and soul, and she re-turns my love! She is Varilla, daughter of Quintilius Varus!"
"Ye Gods!" said Phusa with a laugh, "What a choice for a small boo!"

"You mustn't make a joke of it," pleaded Marcus. "Varifia's love and nine were born under divine ans-pices, they will be immortal. Don't you think, Pansa, that a transforma-tion of the world is coming?"

Pansa glanced kindly and sympa-thetically at his young subordinate. "That's one of the things I leave

"That's one of the things I leave entirely in the hands of the Gods," he replied. "Anyhow, if you mean a transformation of the world through the intervention of a Mes-siah, you'll be able to have a long talk about that with Miriam. Let us go and see her."

Miriam's abode was situated in rather a lonely spot outside the Gate of Ephrism. She lived there alone, with a small retinue of slaves.

She was regarded as "unclean" by the priesthood and by the great majority of the Jews, but she was much beloved by the poor, to whom she would give away anything she happened to have at hand, even her own jewellery.

When Pansa and Marcus arrived, two young slave-girls, whose skins were of the delicare golden-brown of ripe wheat, came to meet them and showed them into a room that was rather like a bechive, with no win-dows but only two lateral doors

ncreened by brightly colored mats. In accordance with Oriental cus-

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tom there was scarcely any fur-niture, but there were many cushisms on the floor,

Each of the young women had a little jar of perfume. Spreading some of it on the palms of their hands they proceeded to anoint the heads of the visitors.

"And what is your name?" asked Marens of his attendant, "I am called Musarion, sir," she replied, bestowing loving caresses on Marcus' curiy hair, "I think that you, too, must be a newcomer to Jerusalem, You have not called on

my mistress before."
"Yes," he answered, "I am quite a recent arrival."

Musarion went on: "You are as handsome as that son of Assarte called Desire. My mistress will fall in love with you at once. Give me your hands that I may rub on them

a few drops of this oil of verbena!"

Marcus obeyed and the soft touches sent a disquieting thrill through his veins. Then, however, the two slaves withdrew.

AN instant later one of the door-screens was raised and a woman stepped into the room.

"Greeting, Sisennius Pansa!" she said, speaking in Greek. Her tone of said, speaking in Greek. Her tone of voice was deep and warm. "And who is this handsome young man you have brought with you? Musarion tells me I am sure to fall in love with him!" She stopped in front of Marcus, holding out her hands to him and scanning him with he magnificent eyes.

The moment she amorared Marcus.

The moment she appeared Marcus The moment site appeared Marcus had leapt to his feet, pale, his heart beating tunultuously. It was she, Miriam of Magdalal. He would have recognised her anywhere. She was smiling gently at him now.

"Why," she said, turning to Pansa,
"he's still only a boy!" She had
mistaken bis evident motion for
shyness and was patting his check
encouragingly. "You are indeed as encouragingly. "You are indeed handsome as Adonias, the son

"Miriam, don't you know me? I cognised you at once!"

"You recognised me, my turtle-dove! And when have you seen me hefure?" the said in surprise. "Think! My name is Adomias, like David's son, and you held me in your arms when I was a child!"

Miriam stepped back. Looking again at the young man, the obvious resemblance suddenly dawned upon

"Can it be?... I held you in my arms?... your name is Adomas?... Is it possible?... Tell me, are you my little baby-boy of Caccarea, my Marcis Adomas, son of Valerius Gratus?"

"Yes, Miriam, I am! And I recognised you the moment I saw you!"
Miriam attered a cry of joy and threw her arms round Marcas' neck, weeping.

"My dear little son," she mar-mured through her tears, "so you are really my boby of Caesarea. But what a fine young man you are! Pana, I thank you for all the hap-piness this means to me. You cannot imagine how I loved this boy when he way a small child."

he was a small child."

Pansa had, of course, been utterly astonished by this explosion and by Miriam's tears. 'You must not,' he said, "give me any credit for this. I had no idea you two were in any way connected!"

"Yes! For five years this little boy was my child. His mother had disappeared. I had taken her place in Gratus' home and mothered the little fellow. How his real mother would rejoice to see him to-day! Poor Micol, who by circumcising him lost him!"

Trimdly Marcus asked if Miriam.

Timidly Marcus asked if Miriam I midly Marcus asked if Miriam could give him any news of his mother. But it seemed no one knew anything definite. After her disap-pearance a kind of legend sprang up about her.

some said she had taken refuge in Elijah's cave on Mount Hermon, was living there in company with the stormy prophet of her people, and would return with him when the Mesciah should appear. Others were positive she was dead.

ject of Micol for a moment, Miriam asked Marcus, "When did you leave Rome, and how is it that you are in Palestine?"

"A disappointment in love?" ex-plained Pansa with a laugh, "he, too, has been prematurely hitten by the sharp tooth of Venus!"

"Poor little fellow!" said Mirian, "and no doubt you had dreamed of being happy! But love is like the sand in the hour-glass. One turns it to record the hour of biss it to record the four of ones.

but the sand flows away and the bour is past. Who can reach the secret of a love that never fades? Only One sent from Heaven can do it! And I await His coming!"

"I suppose you are speaking of the Messah?" asked Pansa. "Are you, too, Mirisum, one of those who await the invincible warrior who shall rout the Romans?"

"It is true, Pansa, that I await the Messiah. But not a warrior Messiah. But not a warrior Messiah. What use would his coming be, if it were merely to confirm the Law of Cain. No! In this world those who are poor and unfortunate greatly outnumber those who are rich and strong. But the poor and unfortunate are just as much as the others the concern of God. It is for them the Messiah will come!"
"Do you know, Miram," said Marr.

for them the Messiah will come!"
"Do you know, Miriam," said Marcus, "yesterday I was down at the
Jordan, I saw John, the new prophet,
and I saw him baptise a neuphyte,
whose face I cannot forget. I laney
he must have been a young Galilean.
His face was so beautiful, vet so
said, that I thought I was Jooking at
Dionysus himself.
"After the baptism he disappeared

"After the baptism he disappeared not the desert, and although I rode after him I never found any trace. Who can say where he may be now, in that ghastly desert by the Dead

All three remained silent, as though straining their ears to catch

some sound.

The desert wind had sprung up again. A squall like a vibrant voice from the Invisible tore over the house of Miriam of Magdah, and over all Jerusalem.

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house in the Upper Town.
Panna would have preferred that
he remain with him in the official
Governor's Residency, which was
certainly more comfortable; but
Marcus was not willing to accept
this He wanted to be free to devote
himself, when not on military duty,
to the urgent task of tracing his
mother.

The urge to find her, an urge that at first had been timid, as though ashamed of itself, had bee imperative and tormenting since Marcus' visit to Miriam-It became even stronger once he found himself in the house where

he was born.
Since the day Micot had fled from it the house had remained untenanted in the care of an old door-keeper. Notoody wished to live in a house where a High Priest of the Trumple had been assaulted.
Within everything remained untouched and exactly as it had stood at the moment of the dramatic scene between Micol and Valerius Gratus. Smothered in dust, it all seemed so old, blasted as though by a curse.

Yet in every dark corner, in every Yet in every dark corner, in every tiny sound, in every creak of wood-work, Marcus felt he recognised something holy, something in the nature of an unseen divinity that had waited there for him all those

had waited there for him all those years, waited to reveal itself and to become familiar with him.

Simon, who also was much affected, spoke to him of the past as they moved from room to room.

"See, sir, it was here that you were brought into the world. Here, by that window, your mother took you in her arms and with tears in her eyes raised you up to Heaven,

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calling upon the God of the High

"There is the cradle of sycamore wood that I bought for you from a young workman of Nazareth. Cut on one of its sides was the name of the youth who sold it to me."

on one of its sides was the name of the youth who sold it to me."

The cradic, in which were a small coverlet of swansdown and some linen cloths, lay in a dusty corner half hidden under spiders' webs. Marcus Adonias examined it and on one of the sides found the inscription, perfectly legible, IESUA.

"That door there," continued Simon, "is the one by which your father entered, When he found that you had been circumcised he drew his sword, roaring like a lion. And it was by that other door that your mother fed, carrying you in her arms, with the lictors after her.

"Just to think, sir, that she has never seen you since that day! And now you are a man, and the Most High has willed that you return to the Kingdom of Israel!"

Marcus tried to speak, but a lump in his throat prevented lim. The Fste that had presided over his birth still lay heavy upon him; nevertheless he felt that the circumstances leading to this return to his birthplace had been providential.

nevertheless he felt that the circumstances leading to this return to his birthplace had been providential. Something new, something definitive, was in store for him, something that would give his life a fresh significance. At all costs he would pursue the search for his mother.

Next morning Marcus made all arrangements for having the house put in order. He entrusted Megales with the direction of the necessary work and the old man lost no time in setting about the task.

Marcus then went to call on Saramalla, hoping the shrewd old banker might be able to assist him in communicating with Varilia and also in the search for his mother.

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It transpired, however, that Saramalla had been on the point of communicating with him.

"I have here a letter from Elea-zur," he said. "He is ready to treat."

"Good!" replied Marcus. "That indeed important! But where? And when?

And when?"

"It will be for you, sir, to fix a time in concert with Pansa, and, if needs be, with the Governor, Pilatus. As to the place, Eleasar has decided that himself, but it is not far away. He makes, too, one condition, which is that you yourself should deal in person with a delegate of his whom he will send to meer you."

meet you."
"I shall have to talk this over with Pansa," said Marcus, "Meantime, I am very glad to have your report. I am in hopes that it will not be very difficult for me to persuade Eleazar's delegate that it will be in his chief's own interest to give

AFTER that, Marcus went on to speak of the two projects which had brought him there that morning.

that morning.

When he came to the question of his mother, he suid: "I feel certain she is alive, and is somewhere in this country. You must help me in my search. Spend whatever is necessary, but let her know I am here in Jerusalem and most anxious to be reunited to her."

For a few moments Saramalla remained silent.

"I shall carry out your orders, sir," he said at length, "but I feel sure that if you mention the matter to the delegate sent to meet you by Elezzar you will get a good deal of

information about your mother. Elea-zar's men live in the mountains. Very possibly they will have come across her, if so be that she, too, lives

On leaving Saramalla's house Marcus went at once to the Antonia Tower to communicate the purport of Eleazar's letter to Pansa.

Pansa proposed to refer the mat-ter to Platus at Caesarea. He himself thought that it would not be right to entrust the negotiations to an officer so young and inexperienced as Marcus Adonias. But Marcus de-mutred. Let the agreed conditions be submitted to Pilatus for his

He, Marcus, felt he was quite capable of imposing conditions advan-tageous to Rome and her prestige. There was another reason, the prin-cipal reason, why he wished to handle these matters himself. His own future and Varilla's depended on his success in suppressing Elea-

Pilatus had promised that if he achieved that task he would secure for him the Emperor's pardon and permission to return to Rome.

So, using Saramalla as inter-mediary, Marcus made his own arrangements for the meeting with Eleazar's delegate.

The meeting was to take place at a spot named Rachel's Tomb, not far from the edge of the desert. It was here that according to tradition Jacob's favorite wife had died in giving birth to the last of her children.

Marcus Adonias was to come with not more than lifty men, whom he would leave at a predetermined distance from the meeting place. Elea-zar's delegate would do likewise, and the two negotiators would proceed to a point half-way between the

WITH these details duly agreed upon, Marcus, on the appointed day, rode out from the Joppa Gate at the head of two froops of his men and headed towards the hills where, amongst olive groves and pasture fields, stood the little village of Bethlehem Ephrata. With him was the invalu-

They reached the little village, then following a track that skirted a large stone-quarry, whose flanks were honeycombed with caverns, were honeycombed with caverns, they turned left, traversed an olive grove, and found themselves on a piece of bure open ground sprinkled with those black pebbles that always betoken the proximity of the desert.

Familiar with the topography after his long service in Judaca, Tra-congins was able to point out to Marcus the spot selected for the

From where they stood they could see another low hill, beyond which was rocky ground covered with brushwood and wild olive. It was on this hillock that Jacob had erected the memorial to Rachel.

Now that he was actually on the spot itself, the fact that it was the place where, so long before, a child had lost its mother, Marcus was aware of mounting uneasiness.

Why choose that particular place? He had a strange feeling that some special significance attached to the choice, and he was anxious as to what it might be.

He gave Tricongius his orders:
"You will dismount and remain here
under cover of the olive grove. I
shall ride on to the top of the hillock so that I can be seen from a
good distance."

"Sir," said Tricongius, "you must not go alone! You cannot trust these

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MARCUS said, decidedly, "I mean to go alone. We cannot let these people think we are alraid of them. But you and four of the best Galatians can remain mounted and keep watch from that little salient of trees. Then at the slightest sign of an alarm you can rejoin me."

"Str," said Tricongius with the rollled mien of every subordinate who finds his wise safvice disdanted by a superior, "I shall of course obey. But permit me to say again—it is not prudent."
Without even waiting for Tricongius to fluish, Marcus had started of

off at a trot and very soon he reached the crest of the little hill.

off at a trot and very soon he reached the cress of the little hill.

A path crossed the small plateau, and by its side was a heap of stones roughly shaped to form a truncated pyramid on a square base. On top of this was a broad brown flagstone. "This must be Rachel's Tomb," said Marcus to himself as he rode over to examine it.

Someone on horseback appeared from among the trees and was silhouetted against a patch of clear blue sky. As the figure drew nearer Marcus saw that on its head was not the usual kefter—floating in the wind—but a mass of dark hair. The rider was a woman. She carried a bow slung over her shoulder. Striving to dominate his excitement, Marcus thought — "Eleozar must have sent his Amazon, the most cruel and vindictive of all his gang!"

He was about to move forward to

He was about to move forward to meet her, when she forestalled him by breaking into a trot. When some twelve paces away she reined up, stared fixedly at the young man and leaped lightly from the saddle.

Lineasy and mistrusful, Marcus had remnined mounted. As the woman, leading her horse, with her bow over her shoulder, showed signs of approaching nearer, he rapped out an order: "Drop that how!"

She stopped, tears rolling down her cheeks.

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"Drop that bow!" he repeated.
"What are you crying for? And who are you!"

"Adonias! O son of mine!" and she stretched out her arms to him.
Marcus leaped from his horse.
"Who are you? Why do you call me son."
She said, through her tears: "Has no one ever spoken to you of Micol, daughter of Phubi!"

"Micol of Phubi!"

"Micol of Phubi!"

"Micol of Phubi!"

The woman throw her bow to the ground, dropped the relins of her horse, and flew to him with wideopen arms, crying, "Adonias, my child!"

Mother and son embaced in a

Mother and son embraced in a allence broken only by Micol's pas-sionate sobbing. Then she lifted the helmet from his head, laid it

the helmet from his head, laid it on the ground, pressed his face between her liands, turning it this way and that to examine it from all angles, and covering it with Kises.

"Adonias! My own Adonias!" she kept murmuring.

Marcus himself was deeply moved, but almost equally puzzled.

"Mother," he said, "ever since I arrived in this country my one object has been to find you. But tell me—how is it you are here? Did you come of yourself to meet me, or are you here to parley on behalf of Eleazar?"

"I have come," replied Micol, "to take back my son and consecrate him again to my God, that God to

him again to my God, that God to whom I once consecrated him by blood. You are no Roman. You are mine! You must follow me!" "Whither must I follow you, Mother?" asked Marcus. "To the mountains to the mountains where I live and fight for the freedom of the people of Israel and for their God! The Messish may arrive at any moment. It may be a matter of days, perhaps only of

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hours, till He is among us and grasps the sword of Mattathias! My son must fight at my side, not in the

ranks of our enemies."

Marcus felt his blood run cold.
"Mother," he said, putting his
arms round her neck, "you must
not talk nonsense like those Hebrew
brothers of yours! This warrior that you are expecting to wage war on Rome is all folly! Within the walls of Rome dwell all the Gods, walls of Rome dwell all the Gods, and Roman might is unconquerable! He who will come to save the world and to establish the Reign of Joy for his followers is no warrior, but the divine Dionyaus, who was torn in pieces by the Titans. I am one of his disciples, and I wait for him.

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"It is you that must come with me! Here I represent the majeaty of the mighty City and the strength of a conquering race. I do not know where you have been living until now, or what your relations may be with Heazar's band. Pontius Pilatus had information that there was a woman with them, an Amazon, and that she was the most cruel of them all. Even if you are that Amazon, I promise pardon for you and for all those with you."

Micol abruptly broke away and pointing to the memorial erected by Jacob, said: "See, on that spot where stands the heap of stones, Rachel died in giving birth to a son. I tell you that she was more furtunate than II At least she never lived to see her son become an enemy and a worshipper of foreign Gods..." Again she began to weep passionately. "Modine" said Marcus, "have nity.

Gods Again she began to weep passionately. "Mother," said Marcus, "have pity on me! I love a woman who loves me, and I could not live without her. All my hopes of winning her depend upon the way I do my duty as a soldier..."

ON hearing that another woman, a foreign woman, had come into her son's life, Micol started as though bitten by a serpent. Sile stooped, picked up her bow, and raised her arms towards the moun-

raised her arms towards the mountains in a gesture of despair.

"O thou Most High God, thou hast already punished me for having loved an unbeliever, and now thou hast punished me answ!"

She turned again to Marcus and embraced him, gazing into his face as though to imptint his features on her memory. Then she ran to her horse, vanited into the saidle, and galloped off towards the rocky ridge

horse, vanited into the saiddle, and galloped off towards the rocky ridge from which she had first appeared. A moment later she had vanished. Marcus stood gazing after her heiplessly, his brain munb, until he was roused from his stupor by the sound of a horse's hooves. It was Triconories.

Tricongius.
"Pardon, sir, for disobeying or-"Pardon, sir, for disobeying or-ders," he said. "But I was afraid something might have happened to

you!"

"Thanks, Tricongius! You're a good soldier, and I shall not forget to mention you to Pansa. Now I want you to take command and return to Jerusalem."

"And what about yourself, sir?"

"I'm staying here. The parley with Eleazar's man is not finished yet—I have to wait for further proposals."

Tricongius' tough face hardened. "I caunot leave you here alone, sir, I will remain nearby with the men."

"I am giving you an order, Tricongius," said Marcus severely,
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"At least, sir, repeat that order before the men, and tell me what I am to report to the Tribune Sisennius Pansa." He picked up Marcus' helmet and caught his horse.

Marcia dounce his horse, and rode back with his troep-leader to the dive grove. There, before them all, he repeated his order and formally hauded over command to Tri-

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MARCUS remained where he was until his troop had all passed out of sight beyond the houses and cabins of Bethlehem. Then he turned his horse and galloped away in the direction of the valley of the Terchinth.

He had no idea where he was going. His thoughts and mind were in such a turmoil that all he was aware of was a sense of tranquillity and refreshment in thus racing aimlessly across country, facing the hot wind that blew in from the desert.

wind that blew in from the desert.

For how long, and how far, he rode he never knew. Only when his mount, blown and aweating profusely, began to slacken of its own accord, did he take note of his surroundings, and found he was in the desert. Before him and as far as he could see opened a vista of dime beyond dune, like the maw of some gigantic monster. Overhead the broiling sus shone pitllessly.

What was he to do? In his present.

What was he to do? In his present state of mind he was unable to come

state of mind he was unable to come to any decision.

Meanwhile, his horse, no longer guided, its rider being oblivious of his surroundings, edged away to the westward towards the rocky escarpment overlooking the belt of dunes that borders the Dead Sea.

Marcus dismounted. His tongue was dry as leather, his eyes were bloodshot and burning, his cuirasa and accountements seemed to be red-hot. He took them off, laid them with his belinet on the ground, and down on a stone.

Evening drew near,

The awful thirst, the heat, the dreadful silence, and an exhaustion even more mental than physical combined to throw him into a kind

of come, soon merging into an un-easy sleep filled with nightmares. He was alone in a desert, a hor-rible sea of axid cinders pulverised by the wind. The dust penetrated into his nostrils and throat, choking

majestic palm-trees.
Under their swaying branches was salling, how it was not clear, a ship. It was Thamus' ship, the one with

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the figurehead of Naout, the Cow. He, Marcus, was on deck, looking out. A woman came to him and offered him a lovely pomegranate.

Tormented by thirst he tore open the pomegranate, gathered the ruby-red seeds in the palm of one hand, and greedily thrust them into his mouth. Ugh! They were hard and bitter, like shingle from the sea-

He opened his mouth to shout, to call for help, but all that came from his throat was the house sinis-ter wail of the beggars and lepers— Sedakah! Sedakah! . . .

Now he was himself a beggar, and a swarm of lepers was all around him, a horrible array of phantoms whose faces seemed to be whitened with chalk. They clung whitened with chalk. They clun to him and tugged at his clothing

He tried to run away, leaving the torn rags of his tunic in their grasp. He was naked again, as he had been out the night of his initiation, naked and running in the streets of Rome.

and running in the streets of Rome.

Ah! now he was in that little dirty thoroughfare in the Suburra. In the stillness of the night he could hear the splashing water—it came from the monumental fountain dedicated to the sweet singer of Thrace. Here the water bubbled in a wide basin of pink porphyry in the centre of which stood the statue of Orpheus, lyre in hand.

"O divine Master!" he began, approaching the basin with arms outstretched. But see! the statue moved! Orpheus was stepping down and

orpheus was stepping down and coming towards him . he was walking on the water . .

But it was not Orpheus, it was the young God of his dream in Livia's will a . or was it the unknown working-man whose baptism to be of the step of the

known working-man whose baptism he had witnessed from the bank of the Jordan?

The figure had the beautiful sad rate and the crown of purple berries of the one, the nut-brown hair and the umpeakably expressive eyes of the other. It came nearer and called him by name—"Marcus Adonias!"

The call seemed so real that the

The call seemed so real that the vision faded. But then the call was repeated—"Marcus Adonias!"

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He tried to open his eyes, but it was so sweet and restful just to lie there. He wanted above all to sleep.

Again he heard the voice—"Marcus Adonias!" This time it was
quite clear, and his horse too was
snorting and shuffling Half-awake,
he endeavored to sit up. Someone
was indeed standing there by him.
It was a youngish man, in a white
tunic and kefiet, and he had
addressed him by name.

Marcus was greatly startled, He

addressed him by name.

Marcus was greatly startled. He recognised the man at once—it was the mysterious initiate who had been baptised by John in the Jordan.

His cheeks were hollow as though after a long fast, but the gentleness of his face and the expression of his eyes remained unchanged.

OW the initiate

OW the initiate was bending over him, holding out his hands. Marcus struggled to his feet, tottering, and in a hoarse whisper, which was all that his parched throat could emit, asked: "Who are you? How do you know my name?"

"I do know it!" replied the other with a quiet smile, "and I know, too, that you are thirsty! Follow me and I will get you something to drink."

Marcis was too exhausted and hewildered even to repeat his question. He managed to lace on his cuirass, donned his helmet, untelhered his horse, passed the reins over its head, and stumbled after the stranger, who led the way up a little track that climbed the flank of the gully.

of the gully. Night was now closing over the

desert.

In the gallering darkness the white tunic and keftet of the stranger accumed to radiate a feeble glimmer, Following him in silence, Marcas fost his feeling of lassitude and was unconscious of the effort involved in climbing. His horse, so restless before, was now docile as a dog.

At a turn in the track the stranger stopped. From the face of the bare rock, which bore no sign of vegetation, a slender stream of water issued.

"Drink!" said the unknown guide, "and let your horse drink, too!" Whilst the animal plungled its nuzzle deep, Marcus beside it drank greedily from the water as it fell.

greedily from the water as it fell.

As soon as he was shie to frame
the words, he turned to the stranger
and said: "I thank you, O man of
Judaea! I thank you for snatching
me from death. Did I not see you,
a few weeks ago, down there on the
river? Are you not a disciple of
the Baptist?"

"If you knew who I am," replied
the stranger calmiy, "you would

the stranger calmiy, "you would come to me for consolution, for I am here to console the afflicted."

Without another word he resu the ascent of the steep track. Mar-cua forbore any further question-ing and followed him in silence.

Presently, on rounding a turn of the track, they came suddenly to a cave in the face of the rock and the stranger halted. At the mouth of the cave, sitting on a flat boulder, was the long, lean figure of a man.

It was the Sabaean whom Marcus had seen with the unknown neo-phyte after the Jordan baptism, and who had disappeared with him among the sand-dunes.

"Is this man one of your com-panions?" he asked his goide.

The latter turned round. In the dark shadow his face shone with a strange luminosity.

"Yes! He is the companion of my solltude."

"Yes! He is the companion or my solitude."

The mysterious Sabatan made no movement. He looked askiance at Marcus, who imagined he detected a sinister glare in his deep-set eyes.

"Sit down, Marcus Adonias. Tonight you shall be my guest and the guest of the desert."

Marcus felt very ill at ease.
"Since I am your guest, O man of Judnea," he said, "tell me how I must address you."

"You may call me Brother . . . Are you not a man? Well, I am the Son of Man!"

The Sabaean here interrupted,

the Son of Man!

The Sahacan here interrupted, speaking vehemently in harsh tones:
"Why have him call you Brother when you are not brothers? You're a Jew and he's a Roman. Enemies, that's what you are, not brothers!"

KAISING his hand, the initiate pointed to the firmament

above.
"See," he said, "how the skies spread so graciously over all the carth! Do they make any distinction between Jew and Roman? The Father that is in Heaven sees only the man whom He created in His own image. In the new Kingdom all men will call themselves all men brothers."

Marcus was listening entranced.

He said: "You speak of a God in the fashion of the Greek philoso-phers, and that God, from what you say, must love all his creatures. Now we in Rome have many Gods, but none of them seems to love us!"

"And you, my friend, what Gods do you love?"

"Well, I cannot say I love any of them. I am afraid of some!"

"The Heavenly Father desires above all cise to be loved, because He Himself loves, and in His Kingdom the law that rules all will be

There was a little silence. Marcus felt his sympathy with the unknown Jew growing so rapidly that now he felt an urge to confide in him.

"Rabbi," he said, "I am heavy at heart, for I am in a great quandary. I am ordered by Caesar's Procurator to deciroy Elezzar's band of brigands. But to-day I have learnt that amongst the members of that band is my own mother, Micol, daughter of Phabi, What should I do-carry out my orders, or be traiter to my daty?"

"I know of your trouble," replied

"I know of your trouble," replied the other quietly. "Obey your Chief, and trust in the Heavenly Father. Leave the rest to Him."

As he said this, the Saharan leapt of his leet, gathered his cloak around him and ran up a narrow track leading to the highest of the cliffs over-looking the Dead Sea.

On reaching the summit be stopped at the edge.

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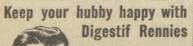


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MR. GRAVES went on, "I admit that I was tempted to settle the Kallen debt; from the aspect of strict honesty I suppose I should have. However, two factors entered into my decision not to disclose the hidden assets. One was you. The other also came from having my ear to the ground."
"Yes?" Abigail said.
Mr. Graves said: "In my position

I hear things. Mr. Kallen is in-volved in building an expensive hotel at Las Vegas, as you may have learned. The cost has run far be-yond original expectations, and is taxing his and other men's resources. I have heard it said that Mr. Kallen is in an extremely tight position financially. In addition, I have heard that Mr. Kallen has resorted to a little dirty work to increase the revenue from the Pastime Club.

"The night Ben played," Mr. Graves added, "he had drunk far Graves added, he had drunk far too much. He won for a while, I am informed, and then Mr. Kallen took over the table personally. The dice seemed to have been changed— a prerogative of the house. After that Ben lost."

that ben tost.
Abigail's eyes were growing bigger.
"Now," Mr. Graves said, "I fore-saw the futility of having Ben welsh and cry 'foul'—even if he would have agreed, which I doubt. Bad bublicity didn't worry me a lot; Hollywood celebrities have survived worse scrapes than that. I doubt if Kallen would ever have resorted to that tactic. But I am entirely sure he would have taken care of Ben some manner

"Poor Ben," Abigail said.
"Since I had you as a workable project," Mr. Graves said, "I decided to keep the secret of the sixty-six thousand. I could always dissix thousand. I could always dis-close it when you failled, and in the meantime its use would simply en-courage Ben to commit fresh ex-cesses. Fortunately, you achieved the desired results."

Abigail said warmly, "Mr. Graves, you are a splendid fellow. The secret of Ben's hidden hoard must not go

beyond these walls. Otherwise, my hold on him will be lost."
"Besides that," Mr. Graves said, "the longer we take in paying off Kallen, the more something is likely to happen to him, thus voiding the debt. I have a hunch he may have an accident."

"Oh, I hope not!" Abigail said.
"Oh, I hope not!" Abigail said.
"He was so generous with me, and
nice about my father."

She shook hands with the business
manager and left.

Back at the he.

Back at the house, she climbed the stairs and entered her own room, aware of a rise in confidence.

aware of a rise in confidence.

It occurred to her that the cowboy might appreciate a little femininity, and she changed into a long,
full skirt, a sweater she had always
felt was a little too tight, and oversize ballet slippera inherited from
Alice. Examining her reflection in Ance. Estaining ner refection in the mirror, she was pleased at the alteration in her appearance; conceivably, Ben might be too.

She went out and knocked on his door. Going inside, she found him stretched out on his bed.

stretched out on his bed.

"I'm not happy here, A.J.," he said. "I've been a good boy since noon, and it makes me sick."

"Bon't get nasty," Abigail said.

"Fm not," Ben said, and sat up and smiled gaily. "A.J., you've done me a world of good, and it was certainly high time I pulled myself to-

gether."
"What?" Abigail said.
Ben went on. "As I lay here to-day upon my bed of pain, I had some long, long thoughts. I said to myself, 'Cowboy, why should you accept so much ungraciously from a little much ungraciously from a much ungraciously from a little woman who asks nothing for her-

"Ben," Abigail said, "you've seen the light." "Please," Ben said. "No com-pliments. I'm only a humble toiler

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in the vineyards." He got up from the bed. "I presume we don't have a new cook?"

Abigai! replied, "and don't think I'll hire another on account of the expense. We'll have Harmony stay occasionally to fix dinner, but otherwise I will—"

"Absolutely not," Ben interrupted.
"Why should you get dishpan hands
when you have a grateful, repentant
man in the house? I'll cook our dinner to-night."
"Huh?" Abigail said.

"Huth." Abigail said.
"Unfortunately," Ben said, "I can
only cook outside, due to my early
training. But that's all right. I'll build
a charcoal fire in the barbecue and
prepare you the best chuck-waggon prepare you the best chuck-waggon food you ever laid a lip over. Afterward, we'll sit around a hig blaze in the parlor and I'll play my guitar and sing to you. How does that sound to you, little gal?"

"Swell," Abigail said.

These sorth below and into the

"Swell," Abigail said. They went below and into the kitchen. Ben found steaks in the

kitchen. Ben found steaks in the freeze box and got a fire going in the barbecue adjoining the terrace. He went and busied himself at the barbecue and presently served the meal on the terrace, not neglecting to provide glasses and ice water. Later they toasted marshmallows on the embers of the barbecue and drank bitter, black coffee brewed in a tin pot.

a tin pot.

"The wolves are comin' out," Ben said then. "We'd better get inside the stockade."

In the parlor, he arranged a chair in front of the fireplace for Abigail, and squatted on his heels at her feet, tightening the strings of his guitar. He gave her a huge, slow, overwhelming smile that was brighter than the burning wood.
"You look mighty pretty to-night, little gal," he said. "I will now play and sing for you."

TAKING his guitar, Ben sang two melancholy cowboy ballads in a strong, syrupy baritone. Abigail closed her eyes. He sang two soft and haunting Mexican love songs, in Spanish. Then he somehow got silently off his heels and hissed her.

"Little gal," Ben said. "Posterior of the strong strong silently of the said."

"Little gal," Ben said, "I've been

"Little gal," Ben said, "I've been holdin' my feelings in as long as I can. It's time I spoke right out in meetin'. Can you bring yourself to listen to me?"

"I can," Abigail said dreamily.

"I won't bore you with the details," Ben said, "but I see happy times ahead for us, full of simple kindness and companionship."

"Anything you say," Abigail told him. "Nothing matters except that I'm in your arms. Ben, do you realise how I've hoped you'd want me?"

me?"

She opened her eyes suddenly to discover that her loving husband was white as a ghost. She knew instantly and too late his advances had only been a stratagem.

"I can't do this," Ben said. "It's awful. It's like shooting sitting birds. Von're only a defenceless child."

You're only a defenceless child."

"Go away, cowboy," Abigail said "I reckon I'd better, little gal,"

Ben said, and left her.
Abigail sat down weakly in the nearest chair. After some minutes, she got up and plodded towards her room in the loose ballet slippers. She passed Ben, outward bound, on the stairs. He was attired in a

cowboy jacket and tall hat, and still bloodless. They barely glanced at each other.

In her room, Abigail remained for a long time deep in miscrable thought. At length she reached a dression. Packing all her things again she loaded them into her car, and drove off finally and resolutely for

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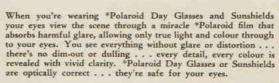
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MARG wasn't really listening to Jim. "Besides that," she said, as if he hadn't spoken, "Pete sells things so much cheaper."

Jim stared at her, "Well, then, naturally people buy from him. We should, too. I have to cut corners. Business isn't good. If this Pete is a better merchandiser we'd better swing over. It sounds to me as if we're on the wrong team."

"Oh, no, we're not," she said slowly, "I'm sure we're not. He's just cutting prices to drive Nick away. And he ought to sell cheaper, the way he races in and out and the way he races in and out and doesn't even take time to smile Nick's never too busy to tell me about Greece and how the mountains looked and the way he met his wife."

Jim nodded sympathetically but he made his voice brusque. That doesn't sell any spinach, though.
What he needs isn't a lawyer, it's a time-study man.

Marg smiled brightly the next evening at supper; Jim decided Pete must have left town completely. He settled back in his chair to enjoy the peace of his home.

"Oh, look!" Marg said. "Gladys is

Jim regarded the dog with the expression of a scientist meeting a new and not altogether desirable species.
"With all the grace," he said, "of a base of how."

bundle of hay."
"She can't help looking like that,"
Rusty said loyally. "You'd look like

that too if you..."
"All right," Jim said firmly. "I concede that she cannot help looking like that."

like that."
"And she can't help wanting to walk on the grass," Jimmie said. "I told Mrs. Jenkins that. And I told Pete he was stingy not to give Gladys some grapes. He looked real mean at us, and Mrs. Jenkins said she'd phone the police if it happened again."

Inn looked searchingly at his wife.

Jim looked searchingly at his wife, who had found a sudden interest in her salad. "This is a new development?" She nodded. "When," he demanded, "is the owner of the beast returning?

"Any day now," Marg said hastily, "unless her aunt takes a turn for the worse."

"I shall pray nightly," Jim as-sured her, "for the dear's speedy recovery."

He smiled, and dinner resumed its

equable tenor until Rusty piped up.
"Anyway, we told Mrs. Davies, the
way you said, about the worms in
the peaches. That'll fix Pete for being

so stingy with his old grapes."

Deliberately Jim shoved his plate from him and faced Marg. "What is this?"

Marg opened her mouth to answer, but Jimmic cut in enthusiastically,
"Mummic told me and Rusty we
could tell Mrs. Davies that she bet
Pete had his own worm farm because

his peaches pretty near crawl."

Marg smiled hopefully. "She be-lieves anything she's told and passes it on fast."

Jim brought one outraged fist down on the table. "That's slander! The man could sue you. And I wouldn't blame him one bit. You wouldn't blame him one bit. You positively must not say one more word against Pete." He looked straight into the eyes of each member of his family, including Gladys. "Do you hear? I won't have it." He shook his head wearily. "If you must indulge in rumormongering why not spread the word that I'm the smartest lawyer in town?"

"Tve already told that to every-body I know," Marg said.

Jim looked ever so slightly mollified. "And you won't say one more word about that vegetable man?"

Marg shook her head, and the

Marg shook her head, and the children solemnly crossed their hearts. "Not one." They made it hearts. "Not one." They made it sound like a sacred promise. But it was a sacredness Jim sus-pected by noon the next day. The

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neighborhood displayed the relaxed friendliness of Saturday.

Marg and Mrs. Davies were chat-ting. As he walked up the front path be regarded the chatting pair in his uneasily. Marg had promised, and yet .

"No, we're talking about flowers, Marg said, as if she could read his mind. She held up a bunch of zinnias. "Want to put these in the vase in the dining-room?"

Jim accepted the flowers, reassured much by Mrs. Davies' vacant smile as by Marg's words. The woman, he told himself, could not have been bearing anything exciting about wormy peaches. With a nod to her he started into the house.

The door opened as he approached

The door opened as he approached it, and Rusty stuck his head out. "I gave it to her," Rusty said.

"That's nice," Marg said and continued to point out flowers to Mrs. Davies. "Oh," she turned to Jim, "will you help me with something after a bit?"

Jim nodded and went inside. The day was falling into the comfort-able Saturday routine. He thrust the zinnias into the designated vase and plunged into the solace of his work

room,
Outside, Marg, still chatting
casually with her neighbor, eyed
a red truck coming down the street.
"The new vegetable man," she said.
"I wonder if he sells grapes. Gladys
just loves them."

She hailed the truck and smiled unconcernedly at the busy little man who leaped out to take her order. Hardly interrupting her conversation with Mrs. Davies, she called to the boys to bring her purse.

boys to bring her purse.

When they came out as if on signal, with Gladys waddling in the rear, she held the bunch of grapes temptingly low for the dog. If she noticed, as the truck drove off, that the boys stood expectantly, their eyes riveted on the slowly masticating dog, she gave no sign, "Your petunias are lovely this year," she said to Mrs. Davies, "and I..."

It was then that Jimmy screamed. Mouth wide in horror he pointed straight at the ground where Gladys slumped inertly. "She yelled. "Look! Look!" "She's dead!" he

BENDING over the limp form, Marg gasped. "Isn't that strange? He was just eating these nge? He was just eating these pes and — Here!" She thrust half-caten bunch at Mrs. Davies.

"Hold these, will you?"

Mrs. Davies reached out a hand, then jerked it back as if a blowtorch then jerked it back as if a blowtorch we're pointed straight at her wrist. She and Marg exchanged a look more eloquent than any words. While they stood looking toward the disappearing red truck with silent accusations, Jimmie ran into the house and came out with Patty. She took one look at Gladys and filled the neighborhood with wails. "He's dead," Patty wept. "Gladys is dead."

is dead."

is dead."
"Oh, dear," Marg said. "Here,
Rusty, hold these or maybe....."
She looked again at Mrs. Davies.
"Don't let him touch them!" Mrs.
Davies urged. "Throw them away.
Go and wash your hands!" She
departed as if the very air around
the grapes might be tainted.
Marg watched the terrified retreat,
then picked Gladys in. Should about the

Marg watened the terrifica retreat, then picked Gladys up. Slowly she mounted the front steps, but, once inside the house, she moved as if personally responsible for a three-"All rig

"All right," she said, "where's Nick's orange box? Now, boys, you know what to do." She snatched the flowers out of the vase in the dining-room and stuck them into Patty's hands. "Jim," she called, "will you come and bring a spade?"

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AT the call Jim focused his attention on the noise. He became aware of scuffling sounds, Petty's crying, and the slamming of a door, Grabbing up the spade he hurried around, let himself out the front door, and froze. A solemn procession was making its way down the front path.

Leading the way, Marg was a symbol of dignified grief. Then came Jimmie and Rusty, Nick's wooden crate carried between them. Over the top rested a black cloth, and out the rear slit of the box hing Gladys' limp tail. Patty trailed after the boys, clutching the flowers and wailing that Gladys was dead. "What hap....." he yelled.

he yelled.

But Marg, at the door of the car, turned to face him. She shook her head gently, indicating the inappropriateness of abouting at such a time. The boys finished sliding the box into the back seat and they, too, turned to watch him. Jim became aware of neighbors' eyes. A man who recognised a moment for all it held, he shouldered the spade, marched to the car, slid behind the wheel, drove off.

"Go right," Marge murmured. As soon as the car rounded the corner she turned to Patty. "Don't cry, dear," she said. "Gladys sin't dead, He's just sleeping. He's just.—" Then she and the boys began to

laugh.

Jim nearly lost control of the car. "What do you mean, not dead?"

"Amy came home," Marg ex-plained through her laughter. "She wanted Gladys. So I said we'd bring him." bring him-

"And I gave her the stuff to put her to sleep," Rusty said. "The sedative," Marg said.

Jim tried to look straight at Marg-But why the procession?

"But why the procession:
this—"
"And then Mummie got the
grapes from Pete," Jimmie chortled,
"and Gladys ate them."
"And, boy, Pete came just in
time," Runty said, "Gladys was
getting awfully sleepy."
"Yes," Jimmie said, "she just ate
a few grapes and flop! And Mrs.
Davies—"

Jim brought the car to an abrupt halt. "What," his stern voice ex-tinguished all the chortles, "what have you done?" Marg told him.

Marg told him.
"But I didn't say a word," she insisted, "just the way you said. I didn't say a wurd—except about flowers. I went on and on about her garden, holding her there till Pete came." She began to laugh again. "Oh, I wish you could have seen her face and the way she got out of our ward."

seen her face and the way she got out of our yard."
"But thats—" Then Jim could hold his stern-hushand-and parent pose no longer. "That's wonderful," ac choked. He pulled the car over to the kerb and leaned forward over the wheel, laughing till tears steenwed down his cheeks.

the wheel, laughing till tears streamed down his cheeks. He bent his head down to rest on Marg's shoulder and pounded his knee silently. "It's worth it!" he said. "It's worth it. He'll sue me, but it's "It's worth it. He'll sue me, but it's worth it!" After a minute he looked up and wiped his eyes. "I haven't felt this good in months," he said. "There's life in the old boy yet." He winked at Marg. "You tell old handsarross-the-sea that I'll figure out something for him. Tell him that I'll take the case again." Continued from page 68

Marg smiled. "I never told him su'd dropped it."

Saturday's laughter clung to the house throughout the next week. Jim found himself joining the boys in gales of nonsensical merriment, and Marg's smile never had looked

When she met him at the door When she met him at the door Thursday night, though, the grin set a new record. "Everything's all worked out!" she exulted. "You won't have to do anything else, Pete's gone. Come on." She took his hand. "Nick's in the kitchen, waiting to tell you."

Nick bowed back and assumed the Nick bowed back and assumed the centre of the floor. Looking from one to the other he squared his shoulders, and his short body appeared to add inches. "That Pete," he said triumphantly. "We fix him, you and me. He's gone. He learned the lesson. He come to my house and he say, 'I go away. I no come back. Everybody there like Nick. That's your end of town.'"

Beaming, he flung out his hands.

"So now I'm alone, just me. Nick.
And that Mrs. Jenkins, she glad to have me come now but she staris tirring up her nose at all the good stuff. So to-day I just tell her. One little bunch of carrots," I say, "is that a meal? You should see Mrs. Thornton's soup. With fourteen vegetables she cooks it. And a magnificent bone. A wonderful soup. Beautiful!

"And to-morrow," Nick concluded, "I bring you a watermelon that makes the other look like a

cluded, "I bring you a watermelon that makes the other look like a strawberry." He winked at Marg. "And I bring you new box for the oranges. Something happen to old one, huh?" And laughing hugely he made his erit made his exit.

NERVOUSLY, Marg moved to Jim's side. "Well, it's nice that Pete moved along," she said, in the voice of someone who searches

the voice of someone who searches for something pleasant to say.

"Yes." Jim sat down at the kitchen table. "You might as well know," he said, "though Nick is happier without knowing, I imagine, that it wasn't just the dog's 'funeral' or Nick's great popularity that persuaded Pete to move. I made a deal with the manager of the Clenmore and the Rushton flats to let Pete peddle there. He'll do fine there. No competition. And they won't call his manner brusque, just efficient."

He waved his hands to indicate a

He waved his hands to indicate a solution. "Pete took to the idea right away. And Nick can stay right here and continue to support his relatives—and offend Mrs. Jenkins."
"I'm sorry," Marg said, "I'm sure he didn't mean—"
"Oh, that's all right," Jim said, "With or without the Jenkins' we won't starve. There's always the fourteen-vegetable soup." He headed for the front of the house.
Marg stirred the soup and went to He waved his hands to indicate

Marg stirred the soup and went to sit on the back porch and think. The kitchen Ian was filling the neighborhood with a rich aroma; it was very hard to think about any was very hard to think about any thing but soup. As she sat there, mulling over their private problems, a middle-aged man, slight and shy looking, walked into the yard.

"I smelt the soup," he said, without preamble, "and had to comet in."

Marg looked at him with concern. He was wearing only a shirt and trousers—no coat—and his face was thin.

"Are you hungry?" she asked. "I'm starved," the man said.

"Oh!" She jumped up: "Sit down. Wait right here." She raced into the kitchen and ladled soup into a mixing bowl.

The man reached eagerly for the tray. "Real home-made vegetable soup!" he exclaimed. "I knew this vas the place." He began eating with obvious relish.

"You know," the man said, "I haven't caten anything this good since I left the farm." He looked off into the distance. "Haven't really had a decent home-cooked meal in

"Oh!" Marg sat down on the steps beside him. "That's a shame. Let's see—" She tried to think of what could be done for a poor, almost elderly man. Yard work, maybe. But before she could suggest it Jim came around the house.

"Have you seen my—" He stopped oruptly. "Oh, good evening, Mr. abruptly. Jenkins."

"Mr. Jenkins!" Marg gasped. Soup in a mixing bowl. Stabs of bread and butter. "You said you were starying," she accused him.

His eyes twinkled. "I was, When that vegetable man—Nick whatever his name is—when he said you were making soup with fourteen vegetable in it it made me so hollow m in it it made me so hollow my stomach stuck to my spine. My wife —well," he waved that aside. "Some people do one thing well; some do others. Mrs. Jenkins is a very fine golfer, I'm told."

"Oh," Marg said, trying to as-sociate this man with his much younger, thoroughly enamelled wife.

younger, thoroughly enamelled wife.

"I stood it as long as I could,"
Mr. Jenkins continued, "then I walked down the street till I picked up that smell. And here I am," He spooned up some more soup. "You must be a very smart man," he said to Jim, "to have a wife who can cook like this. Or maybe her cooking makes you smart Thul's when Nickenson and the property of the cooking makes you smart Thul's when Nickenson and the property of the proper makes you smart. That's what Nick

"Oh no," Marg said carnestly,
"Oh no," Marg said carnestly,
"Jim's just naturally smart. Why,
you should hear how he saved Nick's
business for him."

She recounted the whole story, giv-ing Jim credit for Gladys' funeral procession, the new vegetable route,

rocession, the new vegetable verything.

Mr. Jenkins laughed so hard the oup splashed like ocean waves. "You id, eh?" he demanded.

Jim smiled ruefully, "Well, no," e said. "The grapes were Marg's

"Good," Mr. Jenkins said, "glad to hear that. The grapes—well—" He smiled. "That was a little on the shifty side. Excusable maybe in a pretty woman who can make good soup, but undesirable in a lawyer." oup, but undesirable in a large to le looked shrewdly from Marg to im. "You are a lawyer, aren't you?"

Jim resisted the impulse to run in and fetch his diploma. "I am."

and etech is dipoina. I am discover the bowl to catch the last drops of soup. "I always think it's nice to patronise friends. It's a satisfying practice—like having the neighbors over for

Jim waited a decent interval—fully half a second—before leaping at the opening. "We'd love to have you over." He looked at Marg's beaming face, and an undercurrent of laughter swept his voice. "Come to-morrow," he invited. "I'm expecting a watermelon from an important

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Parents can be handicap to

gifted child

The story is sometimes told of the woman guest who asked her hostess' small son if there were any fairies in the paddock near the house.

"I don't know," he replied politely, "but there are plenty of edible fungi."

REACTIONS to such infant R precocity differ according to viewpoint and relationship.

The guest, calling him bumptious, may find her fingers itching to give him a good spank on the right spot. The less intellectually mature children in his own age group mostly avoid him as being "queer."

The parents of such a gifted child could be pardoned for being proud.

They might needle him into study-ing hard. They could certainly en-vision a future for him bright with the ribbons of academic honors. This is where parents can make

mistake

Authorities say that the greatest handicap the gifted child can have is over-ambitious parents. All he needs is the intelligent handling necessary to the bringing-up of all children — and the all-important chance to follow his particular bent. chance to follow his particular bent.

Educators use this term, "a gifted child," to describe a child "with so high a measure of competency that he is able to learn more than the prescribed curriculum within the prescribed time under prescribed conditions."

He can occur in any family, and far from being sickly or frail—"his brain has taken all his strength," our grannies used to say—he is usu-ally bigger than other children of his

Gifted children run pretty to a pattern. John Stuart Mill, 19th century philosopher and economist, could not remember having learned Greek, but he knew it when he was three. Historian Thomas Babington Macaulay mastered ancient Macaulay mastered ancient tan-guages at pre-school age. Like most other outstanding historical figures who were precocious children, they had private tutors to keep them working at the level of their superior

More recently it used to be as-umed that the gifted child, left alone, would make his own way suc-cessfully, and needed few, if any,

ressuity, and needed tew, if any, special facilities for study.

Nowadays, however, few people claim that the gifted child can foster his gifts unaided. The N.S.W. Education Department, for instance, has weighed in on his behalf with "oppor-tunity" classes where selected teach ers take bright children through an

enriched and extended curriculum. Results of these classes have been uniformly good. But the gifted child's future success in life as well as in a chosen career depends not only on his brains but on his good adjustment and ability to get on with people

The responsi-bility ultimately devolves on his parents.

One of the opportunity class graduates, now a successful radio writer, said that a boy in his class graduated straight into a reform school. This boy from a wretched

The father habitually went home drunk and beat the

mother. The boy-the only elever child of several-turned his talents to such rackets as "milking" tele-phone boxes for pennies. Since reform school he has gathered a long criminal record.

The radio writer added: "In my

own case, I grew up to reproaches for being lazy and neglectful because I wasn't good at sums, and the things my father was good at.

"My parents bewildered me. They ung between treating me as an out and a genius. When my idiot and a genius. When my teachers used to praise my abilities in English and my 'original mind,' my father used to groan.

"It's only now when I'm carning ore money than he does that he thinks there must be something to me after all. Even there we differ, because I don't believe earning wer is any criterion of success.

Mrs. G. D. Osborne, mother of Milton Osborne, one of the Quiz Kids known to radio audiences, en-dorses the opinion of educators that highly intelligent children should be guided and not forced, and that they are harder to bring up than others.

Mrs. Osborne says: "They resent smacks at an age when most chil-dren accept them as a normal hazard. They keep you mentally on your toes all the time. Maturing so early, they don't seem to have any childhood at all.

'On the other hand, they grasp and accept in a quite adult way good reasons for doing or not doing things. And they have such great mental reserves that they can amuse themselves alone with books or hob-



farewelling her mother in London exemplifies affection between members of the Nichols family. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols advice on bringing up talented children is: "Love them."

bies without drawing on a parent's

The child prodigy in music or art, or the youngster with another special talent, may or may not have

special talent, may or may not have a high intelligence quotient.

Joy Nichols, phenomenally successful Australian stage and radio star, would laugh at any suggestion of her being "a brain." Yet she and her brother George were radio artists when they were six.

Their mother, Mrs. Freda Nichols their mother, Mrs. Freda Nichols, taught them elocution, and their father encouraged them with an appraisal of each performance.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichols have a simple recipe for equipping children for living as well as for a career, "Affection solves all problems," said Mr. Nichols. "Our two elder

boys are happily married, and so is Joy. All four of our children are happy people.
"The letters Joy writes home from

"The letters Joy writes home from London assure us that she's the same natural girl, despite her fame and big earnings, as when she was a kid running round Leichhardt.

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With Christmas less than a month away, it is time to think about filling the cake tins and cookie jars so that callers will not find you unprepared.

ICH fruit cakes may be made now. If kept they im-prove. The rich flavor develops and the cake is less likely to crumble when cut.

to crumble when cut.

Lighter type cakes do not keep so well and should be made no more than two weeks before cutting.

Leing should be left until a day or two before cake is to be cut.

Sponges, cut into squares or left whole and decorated with fruit, nuts, or cream, help to provide variety. Home-made cookies are always popular. Some types may be mixed in advance, stored in the refrigerator, and cut and baked as required.

All spoon measurements are level.

CHERRY FRUIT CAKE WITH CHERRY FROSTING

Half pound butter, ilb. sugar, 1 tea-spoon grated lemon rind, i teaspoon vanilla, 2 tablespoons rum or brandy, 4 eggs, 4th. glace or drained cherries,

toz. sultanas, toz. seeded raisins (or use 4lb. sultanas), toz. crystallised pineapple, 10oz. plain flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 4 teaspoon salt, 4 cup

milk.

Cream butter and sugar with vanilla and lemon rind until soft, white, and fluffy. Add unbeaten eggs one at a time, beat well after each addition. Fold in fruit and rum or brandy, then silted dry ingredients, alternately with milk. Turn into 7/lin. round or square tin lined with 1 layer greased paper. Bake in moderate oven (350deg. F. gas, 400deg. F. electric) 1 to 14 hours. Allow to cool in tin. Wrap until day before cutting, then coat with cherry frosting. May be made two weeks before cutting.

Cherry Frosting: One and a half

Cherry Frosting: One and a half cups sugar, 2 tablespoons water, 2 egg-whites, 1 teaspoon lemon juice, ½ teaspoon vanilla, 4oz. chopped cherries.
Place sugar, water, and egg-whites
into a basin. Beat over boiling water
for 12 to 15 minutes until mixture in

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thick enough to hold its shape and until sugar is dissolved. Remove from heat, continue beating until frosting is very thick, add flavorings. Fold in cherries and spread thickly over cake. Leave surface rough. Decorate with extra cherries and green leaves.

RICH CHRISTMAS CAKE

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Two and a half pounds mixed fruit
(or 14th sultanas, 4th raisins, 4th currants), 4th drained cherries, 4th shredded peel, 4 tablespoons rum or brandy, 4th butter, 4th brown sugar, 1 teaspoon grated lemon rind, 1 dessertspoon grated orange rind, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 1 tablespoon marmalade, 1 teaspoon caramel or Parisian essence, 4 eggs, 10oc, plain flour, ‡ teaspoon salt, ‡ teaspoon spice, ‡ teaspoon each cinnamon and nutmeg. spoon spice, and nutmeg.

and nutmeg.

Place fruit (washed, stemmed, and thoroughly dried) into a basin with cherries and peel. Add rum or brandy, mix well, stand overnight. Gream butter thoroughly with sugar, lemon and orange rind, and vanilla. When very soft and white, add marmalade and caramel, then unbeaten eggs one at a

time, beating well after each one is added. Mix thoroughly, then fold in prepared fruit alternately with sifted dry ingredients. Mix evenly and well. Turn in Sin. square or round cake tin, lined with three layers of brown and one layer of white paper. Place in lower half of very moderate oven (325-deg. F. gas, or in centre of electric oven heated to 375deg. F.). Keep oven temperature as steady as possible and bake cake 4 to 4½ hours. Do not open oven door for at least 1½ hours. Leave cake in tin until cold, wrap in open oven door for at cast 1g nours. Leave cake in tin until cold, wrap in clean paper, then in large towel, until required. This cake improves with keeping and is best made two or three weeks before cutting.

GOLDEN GLOW CAKE

Three eggs, \(^1_4\) cup sugar, 1 table-spoon golden syrup, \(^1_4\) cup self-raising flour, \(^1_4\) cup arrowroot (or cornflour), pinch salt, 2 teaspoons cocoa, 2 tea-spoons cinnamon, 1 dessertspoon butter, \(^1_4\) tablespoons boiling milk, whipped cream, split toasted almonds, apricot purce.

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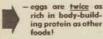
LIGHT CHERRY FRUIT CAKE (made about two weeks before Christmas and decorated the day before it is cut) is delicious served with icy-cold fruit drinks when friends drop in to wish you "Merry Christmas." Golden glow cake and butterscotch cookies are two tempting items for festive season parties.

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DATES, banana, and a hint of lemon give a tantalising flavor to the delicious cake that wins the main prize this week,

The other easy-to-prepare dishes that also win cash prizes for enter-prising readers have tempting appearance and appetite appeal that will make them firm favorites.

Spoon measurements refer to level

DATE AND BANANA CAKE Four ounces butter or other shortening, foz. sugar, 2 eggs, 3oz. chopped dates, 1 banana, 2 tea-spoons lemon juice, 6oz. self-rais-ing flour, 2 tablespoons milk.

Gream butter or shortening with sugar. Add eggs one at a time, beat-ing well after each addition. Stir in dates, lemon juice, and well-mashed banana. Sift flour several come that bashs in the commendation. mashed banana. Sift flour several times, fold lightly into creamed mix-ture. Lastly add milk and continue folding until evenly mixed. Fill into well-greased (in. square or round cake-tin, and bake in moderate oven 255da. E. et al. 255da. E. 1 cake-tin, and bake in moderate oven 375deg. F. gas, 425deg. F. electric) 50 to 60 minutes. Cool on cake-cooler, ice with lemon icing, and decorate with walnuts. First Prize of £5 to Mrs. M. J. Ward, 183 Aberdeen St., Scar-borough, W.A.

SAVORY APPLE RICE

Three cooking apples, 1 cup water, 1 cup cooked rice, 4 bacon rashers, 4oz. shredded cheese, 1 tea-spoon butter, salt, pepper, 1 cup milk. Peel, core, and slice apples. Add water, cook gently in lidded pan until tender. Remove rind from bacon, saute until crisp. Arrange bacon, apples, and cheese in greased oven-proof dish, separating layers with rice. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper, dot with butter. Pour in milk, pepper, oor win batter. For it mink, place lid on and cook in moderate oven (375deg. F. gas, 425deg. F. electric) 25 minutes. Serve piping hot with green vegetables.

Consolation Prize of £1 to Mrs. C. M. McGibbon, Torquay, Qld.

SUNGLOW PUDDING

One packet orange jelly crystals, I cup boiling water, I cup orange juice (or use \(\frac{1}{2}\) cup orange juice and \(\frac{1}{2}\) cup cold water), 2 oranges (seeds and pith removed, and cut into small pieces), 8 white marshmallows.

Dissolve jelly crystals in boiling water, add orange juice, and chill. When slightly thickened, fold in oranges and quartered marshmal-lows. Fill into wetted mould and chill until firm. Unmould, serve with sweetened whipped cream or marshmallow fluff.

prepare marshmallow fluff. atiffly beat 1 egg-white and gradually add 2 tablespoons sugar and pinch salt. Fold in a cup marshmallows, cut into small pieces, and flavor with vanilla essence. Beat with rotary beater until well mixed. Chill for 1 to 2 hours before serving

Consolation Prize of £1 to Mrs. B. Bradbury, Lot 10, Soldiers' Rd., Januali, N.S.W.

Cake for Christmas

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SEPARATE whites from yolks of eggs, heat whites to a stiff froth and gradually add sugar. Beat runtil augar is dissolved, add egg-yolks and golden syrup and mix well. Fold in sitted dry ingredients, then boiling milk and melted butter. Turn into greased lamington tin (shallow tin about 9 in. square). Bake in moderate oven (375deg. F. gas, 425deg. F. electric) 25 to 30 minutes. Turn carefully on to cake cooler, allow to become cold. Cut into squares, pipe with whipped cream around edges, fill centres with apricot puree, and decorate with split toasted almonds. Apricot Puree: Soak 4b. dried apricon overnight in 4 cup cold water. Cook gently (in the water in which they were soaked) until quite soft. Rub through coarse strainer and add 2 cup sugar, pinch salt, and 1 full tablespoon orangemarmalade. Chill thoroughly before using. and gradually add sugar. Beat until

COCONUT BUTTERSCOTCH COOKIES

Half cup butter or other shorten-ing, 1½ cups brown sugar, ½ teaspoon vanilla, ½ teaspoon grated lemon rind, 1 egg, 1½ cups plain flour, 1 teaspoon baking powder, pinch salt, ½ cup coconut.

deap coconut.

Beat butter until softened, gradually add sugar, vanilla, and lemon rind. Continue beating until creamy. Add egg, mix well. Work in sifted dry ingredients and coconut. Shape dough into rolls about 2in. in diameter. Wrap in waxed paper (not greaseproof), and place in refrigerator overnight. Cut into wafer-thin slices with a sharp knife. Place on greased oven trays, bake in moderate oven (375deg. F. gas, 425deg. F. electric) approximately Flace on greased oven trays, bake in moderate oven (375deg. F. gas, 425deg. F. electric) approximately 10 minutes. Remove from oven, brush with milk, sprinkle with sugar and return to oven for 2 or 3 minutes. Cool on trays, store in airtight tins when cold.



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Letting in the view

The task, plus the expense, of modernising an old, badly planned house is beyond the scope of many people.

TO others with imagination and a spirit of adventure and the ability to use their hands as well as their brains a conversion scheme presents no problem. It just pays happy dividends.

As an instance, take the case of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Armitage.

Just as they were on the point of building a house they heard that an old "water-frontage" at Beauty Point, Sydney, was for sale.

It's arresting feature was the magnificent views of Middle Harbor and its foreshores. Apart from this, the house had wonderful possibilities.

After a quick analysis, the Armitages were convinced that if they moved a partition or two, rejuvenated the kitchen, put a glasis wall in the surroom in order to capitalise on the view, they could live happily ever after.

So they bought the house.

In the conversion scheme, the Armitages were able to adapt some of the ideas they had had in mind for a new home, such as storage walls, cupboards, and a smart cocktail bar.

cupboards, and a smart cocktail bar.

The large sun-verandah, which
commands such a glorious view and
is the focal point of the home, was
the first alteration they undertook.
Ploor to ceiling plate-glass windows
were introduced around the entire
room, with a sliding centre panel
which can be pushed back to allow
of almost outdoor living.

Walls and woodwork were printed.

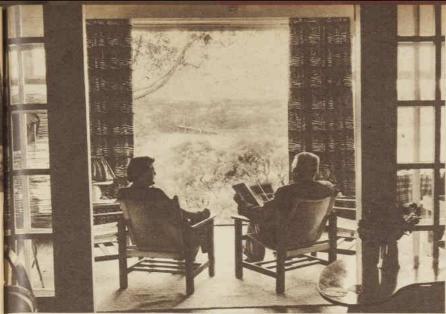
Walls and woodwork were painted palest green, a rug of deeper green covers the polished floor, while cotton window-drapes are of Australian design in black, green, and white.

They have furnished every room with color and charm, and to-day their home radiates a serene, cool atmosphere in keeping with the beauty of its setting.



SUNROOM (above). Mexican-style windows at either end carry French peasant pottery and miniature plants that give a picturesque air. Ritchen (below) has deep leaf-green walls, cream celling, cherry-red floor. Cupboards of potalied maple have cream lacquered trims.





VIEW OF MIDDLE HARHOR through surroom, outside walls of which are punelled in glass. Mr. and Mrs. Armitage are relaxing in the chairs. Here they entertain a wide circle of friends in a serene, tropical-like setting.





MRS. ARMITAGE'S PRIVATE SITTING-ROOM. Walls and woodwork are French grey, ceiling white with a border of pale blue. The scheme is also repeated in the brickwork of fireplace. A low divan with cinnamon and cream fabric cover, matching drapes at window, and grey sheepskin floor-rays contribute to lovely restful at of the room. Notice Mrs. Armitage's graceful treatment of small, old-lashtoned windows flanking fireplace.

Child safety

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Helpful hints on "Safeguarding the Toddler" can be obtained from The Australian Women's Weekly Mothercraft Service Bureau, Scottish House, 19 Bridge Street, Sydney, if a stamped addressed envelope is sent with the request.



LIVING-ROOM (divided from sunroom by wide glass doors) provides glimpses of the outside scene. Chairs are angled to the view. Chairtense and burgandy are lively color contrasts with modern-styled oak furniture. Ivy trailing from wall-light brackets is new idea.

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Of the 15,000 or more species of orchids known to botanists only 100 or so are grown to any extent throughout the world, and of these the cymbidium is probably the most popular.

STARTING originally with species (natural original types), Sydney and Newcastle orchid fanciers began to import hybrids from England and America. In a few years they discovered that the coastal climate was highly suitable to the rapid development of the cym-

To-day many of these men have collections that run from 5000 to 30,000 potted plants,

while some of them are raising local hybrids from seed and achieving remarkable results. Some men have given up remunerative professions to adopt orchid culture as a livelihood and are building up fortunes.

An ex-accountant, Mr. Roy Deane, of Green-acres Orchid Farm, Valley Heights, N.S.W., has the biggest collection in Australia — all cymbidiums. In addition to selling thousands

of potted plants in Australia, he exports to America during the off-season in that country.

Others also have enormous col-lections in their Sydney nurseries. The increased supply of these lovely plants has stimulated a brisk demand from flower lovers throughout the Commonwealth.

The culture of these plants offers no difficulty to the man or woman with a little capital and more than ordinary patience.

ordinary patience.

Cymbidiums need a well-protected bushhouse, a cool or mildly heated glasshouse or conservatory, or a glassed-in verandah that is well ventilated. Other requirements are a number of pots of varying size, tubs, or concrete troughs, plenty of broken roofing tiles, broken flowerpots, broken brick, old, well-boiled bones, and lumps of charcoal or small stones. small stones.

The holes in all containers should be made a trifle larger than when they come from the pottery yards to enable the water to flow freely through the compost and drainage material. If this is not done the roots will rot and plants will die.

Composts depend very largely on the district in which the orchids are grown. They vary considerably. Generally, however, it can be said that orchids flourish best in mix-tures of oak leaves that have decayed tures of oak leaves that have decayed well, bushleaves of most kinds (pro-vided they have rotted and broken up), siftings from fern fibre, sand, old tan bark, charcoal, and hard, lumpy cow manure.

Many orchid growers have dis-carded the use of sand in their composts, and others decry the use



of cow manure because it holds too much water during long, wet per-iods. Some men have used red-brown to red loams with a fair amount of success with cymbidiums, but such soils should never exceed one-third of the whole mixture.

Cow manure, if used, should be at least two years old or more. From this it will be correctly deduced that Australians are still experimenting with the composts, which, after all, are largely based on experience in Great Britain, allowing for local variations caused by climatic differences. matic differences

Careful potting

IT has to be remembered, too, that British orchid growers raise all their plants under glass and that we largely produce our best plants in well-protected hushhouses that are not heated at all.

are not heated at all.

It can be said, however, that for early blooms a cool or mildly heated glasshouse is needed, but is not necessary in the warmer parts of the country where winter temperatures are mild.

Potting has to be done carefully and mail the said of the country where winter temperatures are mild.

and usually consists of putting in the drainage material first, then covering it with coarse tanbark to

prevent choking, and placing the well-circled roots on top. The mixed compost is then carefully scattered in and around the roots and gradu-ally but carefully firmed to hold the pseudo bulbs with their top-heavy foliage upright. The compost should be moistened

The compost should be moistened before being used but should not be sodden. Let it dry out a bit before potting up new plants or reporting old, established plants. Blood and bone can be used with the mixture when cymbidiums are being reported, but the quantity used should not exceed two ounces

to an eight-inch pot.

Most gardeners use hardwood benches raised about two feet from the ground for cymbidiums, with a concrete floor beneath. Concrete posts which stand in tins of water are largely used to-day in the bigger orchid houses to prevent slugs, snails, slaters, and other pests from reaching the plants.

Collections of cymbidiums can be obtained fairly cheaply to-day and may vary from the cheap species such as cymbidium lowianum, ebur-neum, grandiflorum, and giganteum, to the wonderful waxy hybrids the wonderful waxy hybrids wn as Weston birts, which are fairly expensive.

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